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## RULES OF ORDER.

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1. AFTER the usual opening religious exercises, the Secretary shall read the Minutes of the previous session.

2. No motion shall be entertained by the Conference till such motion shall have been seconded.

3. All motions shall be reduced to writing, if desired by any member of the Conference.

4. Every member desiring to speak on any subject before the Conference shall rise and address the President.

5. The member who first rises and addresses the President shall be entitled to the floor.

6. No member shall speak more than once on the same subject till all who may desire to speak shall have spoken; nor more than fifteen minutes at a time, without leave of the Conference.

7. All questions of order shall be decided by the President, subject to an appeal to the Conference, without debate.

8. When any question is under debate, no motion shall be received but to adjourn, to lay on the table, to postpone, to commit, or to amend; but a motion to adjourn shall always be in order; and this, as well as a motion to lay on the table, shall be decided without debate.

9. If the question before the Conference be capable of division, upon the call of any member, such question shall be divided.

10. The business of the Conference shall be conducted with open doors, unless otherwise ordered by the Conference.

11. Any question may be reconsidered on the motion of any member who may have voted with the majority.

12. If any member call for the previous question, and such call shall be sanctioned by a two-thirds vote of the Conference, the main question shall then be put.

13. Each committee of the Conference shall choose its own chairman, unless the chairman be designated by the Conference or the President in the appointment of the committee.

14. The members of the Conference shall assemble in the Conference-room punctually at the hour to which the Conference adjourned, and no member shall absent himself from the place of Conference session without leave of absence.

15. In all practicable cases, when charges are preferred against a member of Conference, notice shall be given to the President on the first day of the session, that, if it be judged proper, his name may be called, and the case referred to a committee.

16. No member of Conference shall be subject to arrest of character without having been timely furnished, wherever practicable, with a written copy of the charges and specifications against him.

17. The vote on any question shall be taken by ayes and noes, upon the call of fifteen members.

I.

DAILY JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS.

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First Day.

URBANA, OHIO, Wednesday, September 3, 1879.

BISHOP MATTHEW SIMPSON opened the twenty-eighth session of the CINCINNATI ANNUAL CONFERENCE of the Methodist Episcopal Church in Grace Church of Urbana, Ohio, at 9 o'clock this morning, by reading the first chapter of the First Epistle of Peter and announcing the 798th Hymn, commencing

"And are we yet alive?"

After the singing, by request of the Bishop, A. Lowrey and G. Moody led the Conference in prayer.

The Secretary of the last session called the roll of the Conference, and one hundred and twenty-two members answered to their names.

On nomination and motion of G. Moody, D. J. Starr was re-elected Secretary; the Secretary nominated and the Conference elected F. G. Mitchell, Assistant Secretary; A. M. Griffith, Recording Secretary; R. E. Smith, Statistical Secretary; and W. J. Quarry, Secretary of Railroad Passes.

The Conference re-adopted the Rules of Order of the last session.

It was ordered that the daily sessions should commence at 8½ o'clock A. M. and close at 12 M., and that the first half-hour be spent in devotional services.

The Committee on Nominations reported through A. M. Griffith, and the Standing Committees were constituted as follows:

*On Missions*—The Presiding Elders.

*Public Worship*—S. A. Brewster, A. N. Spahr, J. F. Marlay.

*Education*—S. Weeks, H. B. Ridgaway, E. T. Wells, W. A. Robinson, James Kendall, Thos. J. Harris, C. H. Payne, D. H. Moore, J. F. Loyd.

*Temperance*—G. T. Weaver, J. W. Mason, J. P. Porter, H. M. Keck, W. H. Sutherland, Wm. Young.

*Parsonages*—T. E. Fidler, J. M'K. Shultz, J. C. Boltin, E. M'Hugh, A. U. Beall, G. W. Kelley.

*Statistics*—C. H. Kalbfus, J. H. Davis, W. Mahon, Geo. W. Dubois, J. R. Hunter, F. S. Davis.

*Periodicals and Book Concern Accounts*—T. Collett, N. W. Darlington, J. Pearson, R. K. Deem, M. A. Richards, J. F. Marlay.

*Post-offices*—D. L. Aultman, G. L. Travis, L. F. Young, John A. Easton, W. H. Smith, E. D. Keyes.

*New York Accounts*—J. Verity.

*Postmaster*—J. S. Bitler.

*Memoirs*—T. S. Cowden, F. M. Clemans, G. Moody, J. W. Cassatt, Jas. Kendall, E. M. Cole, M. Dustin, W. N. Brodbeck, S. Weeks, S. F. Conrey, L. M. Davis.

*Freedmen*—L. Clark, J. S. Whitney, W. Q. Shannon, S. B. Smith, G. M. Edgar, R. S. Rust, W. B. Moler.

*Church Extension*—G. Moody, M. Kauffman, G. H. Kennedy, C. F. Gowdy, W. M. Boyer, F. Hypes.

*Sunday-school Cause*—T. D. W. Peake, S. W. Carey, A. D. Raleigh, A. D. Maddox, W. H. Miesse, Henry Miller.

*Tract Cause*—J. S. Pumphrey, J. I. Taggart, S. N. Marsh, D. Whitmer, J. F. Hull, N. Prince.

*Observance of the Sabbath*—C. W. Ketcham, G. Moody, A. B. Leonard, S. D. Clayton, C. Ferguson, J. N. Irvin, J. M. Walden.

*Laymen Recognized*—Wm. Sellers, Geo. B. Johnson, H. Elliott, D. W. Rawlings, J. S. Craigh, L. J. Fenton.

*Finance*—L. F. Van Cleve, D. C. Vance, G. H. Dart, C. H. Lawton, A. Hamilton, J. F. M' Colm.

*Laymen Recognized*—J. S. Perkins, J. Cochnower, T. C. Bond, W. R. Warnock, W. M. Meek, James M' Math.

*Conference Stewards* J. H. Lease, J. Murray, M. Dustin, F. M. Clemans, J. H. Middleton, John Vance.

*Laymen Recognized*—John. C. Brooke, Gideon Palmer, V. Schaeffer, C. C. Taylor, J. M. Cline, G. W. Menaugh.

*American Bible Society*—D. D. Cheney, E. C. Smith, E. P. James, J. W. Sutherland, H. C. Middleton, C. W. Rishell.

*To Nominate Standing Committees for Next Year*—A. Bowers, C. W. Ketcham, G. H. Dart, J. F. Marlay, T. Collett, W. B. Moler, D. J. Starr.

*Qualification of Applicants for Admission on Trial*—A. Lowrey, D. J. Starr, J. W. Cassatt, A. W. Tibbits, J. W. Weakley, Wm. H. Sutherland.

The bar of the Conference was fixed at the line between the auditorium and the lecture room.

Bishop Simpson announced the transfer of James Kendall from the Ohio Conference to the Cincinnati Conference, and his name was placed on the roll of the Conference.

A motion was made and carried, by a count vote of thirty-eight to thirty, adding a laymen from each district on Sabbath observance.

A. Lowrey was appointed to take the place of H. Baker on the Committee on the State of the Church, appointed last year. The other members are, H. B. Ridgaway, A. B. Leonard, W. A. Robinson, T. Collett, M. A. Richards, and E. P. James.

The Bishop announced that the Conference was authorized to draw on the Chartered Fund for thirty dollars, and the draft was ordered.

By vote of the Conference the Bishop was requested to appoint the Triers of Appeals.

The Bishop presented accounts from Book Concern at New York, and they were referred to the Committee on Book Concern Accounts.

The Bishop presented also a paper in regard to raising funds for expenses of the next General Conference, which was read by the Secretary and referred to the Presiding Elders, that the amount called for might be distributed among the districts.

Certain papers concerning Garrett Biblical Institute were presented and referred to the Committee on Education.

A letter from R. S. Rust, addressed to the Conference, was read by the Secretary, and referred to the Committee on the Freedmen's Aid Society.

On motion of G. Moody those items in the report on Observance of the Sabbath laid over from last year were referred to the present Committee on that subject.

Bishop Simpson presented, and the Secretary read in part, the Annual Report of the Book Committee, and, after discussion, it was referred to the Committee on Periodicals and Book Concern accounts.

A. Lowrey moved that the Committee be instructed to inquire into the losses of the Book Concern on accounts, and the cause of such losses. His motion was laid on the table.

The Secretary presented the reports of the Committees of Quarterly Conferences within the bounds of which these brethren reside, respecting the amounts necessary to the comfortable support of J. C. Maddy and J. W. Keely, superannuated members of this Conference.

Like papers were presented concerning Mrs. J. C. Botkin, R. A. Arthur, and Mrs. Nancy Cooper, and all were referred to the Conference Stewards.

The Bishop presented a paper concerning the Episcopal Fund, and it was referred to the Presiding Elders.

On motion of A. Lowrey a committee of one from each district on Pastoral Address was ordered.

H. B. Ridgeway, C. W. Ketcham, M. Dustin, J. F. Marlay, T. Collett, W. H. Sutherland, and A. Lowrey were appointed such committee. J. F. Conrey, J. W. Weakley, and L. Clark were added.

A. Lowrey and J. F. Conrey were added to the Committee on Observance of the Sabbath.



T. H. Pearne moved that the Committee on the State of the Church be requested to report on Camp-meetings, with reference to memorializing the General Conference on that subject. Carried.

The report of visitors to the Ohio Wesleyan University was presented, and referred to the Committee on Education.

D. J. Starr moved that members be required to report for Ministerial Support only the amount actually *allowed* and the amount actually *paid by their respective charges* for the salaries of Presiding Elder and Pastor.

The motion was adopted.

On motion of J. M. Walden it was directed that where charges have parsonages that fact shall be reported, and where parsonages are rented the amount paid for rent shall be reported.

Revs. S. L. Roberts, Wm. Fitzgerald, and D. Rutledge, D. D., of the Central Ohio Conference; J. A. P. M'Gaw, D. D., Pastor of the Presbyterian Church, Urbana; J. Miley, D. D., of the New York Conference; and M. Wayman, of the North Indiana Conference, were introduced to the Conference.

Reporters for Cincinnati papers were recognized as follows: *Commercial*, A. Bowers; *Gazette*, J. F. Brand; *Enquirer*, H. M. Keek; *Star*, W. H. Miesse; and for the *Dayton Journal*, S. Scott.

The Tenth Question—"Was the character of each preacher examined?" was taken up.

W. L. Hypes, P. E., reported on the state of the work in the East Cincinnati District, and his character was passed.

At the close of the report W. Young, on behalf of the preachers of the East Cincinnati District, presented to Brother Hypes a valuable copy of the Hebrew and Chaldaic Concordance, as a testimonial of their affection.

Brother Hypes accepted the gift in a few remarks indicating the warmest feelings of appreciation and regard.

J. F. Conrey moved that Conference hold an afternoon session beginning at 2½ o'clock, to gather reports of statistics and collections.

On motion of W. L. Hypes it was ordered that pastors report, at the call of their names, their collections for Conference Claimants as well as for missions.

The names of S. Weeks, J. N. Irvin, J. H. Lease, W. Young, W. H. Miesse, J. Pearson, H. Baker, A. U. Beall, A. Bowers, W. N. Williams, S. Bennett, F. W. Hypes, C. T. Crum, S. D. Clayton, H. C. Middleton, L. F. Van Cleve, D. Whitmer, L. Clark, W. N. Brodbeck, G. S.



M'Laughlin, Thos. Lee, D. H. Moore, were called, and after reporting their collections, the characters of these elders were passed.

F. S. Hoyt, D. D., Editor of the *Western Christian Advocate*, and L. E. Madden, of the Louisiana Conference, were introduced.

The Secretary read a letter from the officers of the Cincinnati Union Bethel requesting the re-appointment of Thos. Lee to that work.

Brother Lee's appointment was requested by vote of the Conference.

Time was extended five minutes to finish Conference business.

Announcements were made by the chairmen of Conference committees.

Bishop Simpson appointed Wm. Young to preside at the afternoon session and M. Dustin to conduct the opening religious services tomorrow morning.

Conference adjourned with the benediction by M. P. Gaddis.

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### AFTERNOON SESSION.

*WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, September 3, 1879.*

CONFERENCE met at half-after two o'clock, pursuant to adjournment, for the purpose of gathering the reports of statistics and collections from the charges.

Wm. Young, by appointment of Bishop Simpson, occupied the chair, and S. B. Smith conducted the devotional services.

The item from the Minutes of the morning session relating to the present session was read, and a motion was passed requesting persons appointed to receive reports to take places within the rail of the platform to facilitate their work.

H. C. Middleton was appointed to receive Bible money in the absence of W. Herr. W. Mahon was appointed to receive Educational funds. J. S. Pumphrey was appointed to receive Episcopal funds. W. N. Williams was appointed to receive funds and reports of funds collected for the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society. A motion was made that brother Williams be instructed not to report the amounts returned to him, but paid elsewhere. The motion was laid on the table.

H. Tuckley was appointed to receive funds for the Sunday-school Union, and L. Clark for the Conference Trustees.

The call of the charges was then made, and the pastors who were ready handed in their reports of statistics and benevolent collections.

The work of the session having been completed, Conference adjourned by motion, the benediction being pronounced by F. M. Clemans.

## Second Day.

THURSDAY MORNING, September 4, 1879.

CONFERENCE opened this morning at 8½ o'clock, Bishop Simpson in the chair, with a prayer service of half an hour, conducted by M. Dustin, in which also L. F. Van Cleve and L. D. M'Cabe led the devotions of Conference.

It was ordered that the names of those absent yesterday be called, and twelve of those brethren answered to their names.

The Journal of yesterday's morning and afternoon sessions was read and approved.

The Tenth Question was resumed, and W. Runyan, Presiding Elder of the West Cincinnati District, represented the state of the work and the observance of the Missionary plan within his district, and his character and those of H. B. Ridgaway, J. W. Sutherland, C. W. Ketcham, D. J. Starr, G. W. Kelley, H. Miller, J. Wilson, J. F. Conrey, D. C. Vance, E. Burdsall, J. S. Whitney, G. Moody, J. Murray, J. R. Hunter, G. T. Weaver, T. S. Cowden, R. K. Deem, L. F. Young, J. J. Hill, J. F. Hull, R. S. Rust, C. H. Payne, and J. M. Walden, were passed, those in charge reporting their collections, except L. F. Young, who was not present.

J. W. Sutherland was granted a supernumerary relation, at his own request.

The name of D. R. Baker was called, and his case having been sent back by the Judicial Conference for a new trial, a committee of fifteen was ordered for his trial.

The Bishop was requested to nominate the members of this committee.

C. W. Ketcham was appointed to represent the Church in the prosecution of the charges in this case; D. R. Baker choosing to conduct his own defense.

Dayton District was called, and T. H. Pearne, P. E., represented the state of the work and the observance of the Missionary plan within his district, and his character was passed.

A. B. Leonard, E. T. Wells, J. W. Gaddis, M. A. Richards, J. W. Mason, M. P. Zink, T. E. Fidler, J. A. Easton, J. B. Ellsworth, J. W. Cassatt, J. C. Ambrose reported their collections, and their characters were passed.

W. H. Black reported his collections, and requested the appointment

of a committee to look into the foundation of an accusation made against him. L. F. Van Cleve, R. S. Rust, and T. J. Harris were appointed such committee.

The committee on the case of D. R. Baker was nominated by the Bishop, and elected by the Conference, as follows: J. F. Conrey, G. H. Dart, D. Warnock, T. Collett, T. Lee, C. H. Lawton, G. M. Edgar, M. P. Zink, A. U. Beall, S. Bennett, A. W. Tibbits, W. Q. Shannon, C. Ferguson, G. Moody, and J. Pearson.

The Bishop appointed Wm. Young chairman of the committee.

The Tenth Question was resumed, and the names of T. D. W. Peake, F. S. Davis, C. Ferguson, W. Q. Shannon, N. Prince, M. Kauffman, G. H. Dart, D. D. Cheney, and G. M. Hammell were called, and their characters passed, those in charge, except N. Prince, having reported their collections.

Wm. Herr's name was called, and a letter, addressed by him to the Conference, was read by the Secretary.

A collection for brother Herr, amounting to one hundred and sixty-five dollars, was ordered by Conference, and taken by S. D. Clayton, A. B. Leonard, M. P. Gaddis, and J. M. Walden.

A. B. Leonard and T. H. Pearne were appointed to receive the money and convey it to brother Herr. Brother Herr's character was passed.

The Secretary read a statement of the finance account of the publication of brother Herr's Semi-centennial Sermon.

T. H. Pearne presented, and the Secretary read, a paper from the Quarterly Conferences of Grace Church and Green Street Church, Piqua, O., declaring their undivided confidence in the Christian and ministerial character of Rev. James Stephenson, and requesting Conference to restore him to his standing in the ministry.

After the reading, T. H. Pearne moved the appointment of a committee to consider the case of brother Stephenson, with a view of determining what course the Conference should take in this case.

L. F. Van Cleve moved, as a substitute, that the case go directly to a committee for trial, according to the provisions of the Discipline.

The original motion was withdrawn, the substitute was adopted, and a committee of fifteen was ordered to try the case.

The chair was requested to nominate this committee, and it was constituted as follows: M. Kauffman, T. S. Cowden, H. C. Middleton, J. P. Porter, J. F. Loyd, R. K. Deem, W. Mahon, J. W. Mason, J. Verity, J. P. Shultz, J. Vance, E. M. Cole, J. N. Irvin, J. G. Black, and James Murray.

R. S. Rust was appointed to preside.

H. B. Ridgaway, J. Kendall, and J. S. Whitney were appointed to represent the Church in the prosecution of this case.

M. Dustin, J. W. Cassatt, and W. R. Warnock were announced as representing the accused.

On motion of D. H. Moore the election of delegates to the General Conference was made the special order for to-morrow at 10 o'clock.

L. D. M'Cabe was added to the Committee on Education, and James M'Math to the Board of Stewards.

E. M'Hugh's name was substituted for that of N. W. Darlington in the Committee on Periodicals and Book Concern Accounts.

The Bishop submitted a report from Drew Seminary, which was referred to the Committee on Education.

Rev. A. B. See, of the Ohio Conference; Rev. P. C. Lewis, of the Alabama Conference; and Rev. G. W. Henning, of the Kansas Conference, were introduced by the Bishop.

M. M. Kugler and G. M. Hammell were elected Assistant Secretaries, and detailed to record the proceedings of the trials ordered by Conference.

M. P. Gaddis was appointed to conduct the opening religious services to-morrow morning.

After the publication of notices, Conference adjourned with the benediction by J. Kendall.

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### Third Day.

FRIDAY MORNING, September 5, 1879.

CONFERENCE opened at 8½ o'clock, Bishop Simpson in the chair. M. P. Gaddis conducting the prayer-service, in which T. H. Pearne, D. H. Moore, J. G. Black, and J. Verity led the devotions of the Conference. Further calling of the roll was, on motion, dispensed with.

The Journal of yesterday's proceedings was read and approved.

The Conference Stewards submitted and read their preliminary report.

A. B. Leonard was appointed to assist C. W. Ketcham in the prosecution, in the case of D. R. Baker.

The Second Question—"Who are admitted on Trial?" was taken up, and the call of the districts was made to receive the recommendations of applicants.

W. I. Fee presented the recommendation of Benjamin D. Hypes, from the Quarterly Conference of Walnut Hills; T. H. Pearne presented

the recommendation of Wilbur P. Thirkield, from the Quarterly Conference of Germantown, and of L. O. Deputy, from the Quarterly Conference of Elkton and Winchester; W. L. Hypes presented the recommendation of Valorous F. Brown, from the Quarterly Conference of Grantville charge, Kansas Conference.

The Bishop presented the certificate of transfer of John Y. Leming, a probationer of two years' standing, from the Kentucky Conference to the Cincinnati Conference.

Wm. Young announced that eighty-six dollars were raised last evening for the Preachers' Relief Society.

The Fourth Question, "*Who are admitted into full connection?*" was taken up, and Henry Witham, Henry C. Weakley, Stanley O. Royal, John A. Story, John A. White, and John Y. Leming, those in charge having reported their collections, were called forward, and were asked the usual Disciplinary Questions, which having been satisfactorily answered they were addressed by the Bishop in a very appropriate and impressive manner.

By request of the Conference the Bishop questioned the class as to their use of tobacco or other narcotics.

None of the class were addicted to their use.

After the representations of their presiding elders and examiners, they were admitted into full connection, and J. Y. Leming was elected to deacons' orders, the others being deacons.

The order of the day was taken up, the time having arrived for the election of delegates to General Conference. On motion it was decided to elect by ballot, a majority of the votes cast being necessary to an election.

Ballots were directed to be cast for four delegates, and on motion it was ordered that any ballot containing more than four names should be thrown out, and any ballot cast for other than members of Conference be considered blank, and that no member be allowed to vote outside the bar of Conference.

J. Pearson, E. T. Wells, M. P. Gaddis, and W. N. Williams were appointed Tellers, and a Secretary was detailed to take the count.

A ballot was taken and the Tellers retired.

W. H. Sutherland, W. A. Robinson, and J. M. Walden were appointed a Committee on Conference Resolutions.

On motion of J. F. Marlay 10 o'clock to-morrow was made the time for fixing the place of the next session.

M. Dustin moved the appointment of a commission of five on Conference Boundaries, to correspond with like commissions from other Con-

ferences with relation to memorializing the next General Conference on that subject. The motion prevailed. The Secretary was directed to notify other Conferences in Ohio of this action and request them to appoint like commissions.

The Bishop was requested to appoint the members of this commission.

S. A. Brewster, T. H. Pearne, J. F. Marlay, W. Runyan, and M. Kauffman were so appointed.

On motion of J. M. Walden it was declared to be the judgment of this Conference that any recommendation from the Joint Commission to the General Conference should have the support of at least three of the representatives of each Annual Conference.

J. W. Weakley was substituted for A. Meharry as a Trustee of the Mears bequest.

A. Lowrey presented a paper from W. Herr, Secretary of Conference Trustees, relating to Xenia College, which, together with other papers concerning Xenia College and the Ohio Wesleyan University, was referred to the Committee on Education.

W. H. Sutherland moved that a Conference experience meeting, including an address by Bishop Simpson on the subject of disseminating missionary intelligence and raising missionary money, be held to-morrow at 10.30 o'clock. Carried.

On motion of W. L. Hypes the Trustees of Tylersville Church were granted permission to sell that property.

Permission was also given to the Trustees of Butlerville Circuit to sell their parsonage; also to the Trustees of the parsonage at Winchester, Adams County, to sell that property.

On motion of J. M. Walden the Committee on the Freedmen's Aid Society were directed to consider and report upon the exodus of the colored people from the South.

The Committee appointed to consider the accusation against W. H. Black reported as follows:

We, the committee to whom certain complaints against Rev. Wm. H. Black were referred, have heard the full statement of both the accuser and the accused, and after proper deliberation and conference thereon are of the opinion, first, that the punishment inflicted upon the intractable horse was not cruel or excessive; second, that while to persons observing only the punishment inflicted, it might seem cruel and dictated by passion, a fuller knowledge of the matter would not support this supposition, but would acquit Wm. H. Black of cruelty or of culpable imprudence. We, therefore, recommend that his character pass.

L. F. VAN CLEVE,  
R. S. RUST.



The report was adopted.

The Tennesseans, under the management of Prof. Donavin, being present, entertained and delighted the Conference with singing several hymns and melodies.

P. C. Lewis, of the Alabama Conference, addressed Conference in behalf of the unfinished church at Huntsville, for which, after remarks by R. S. Rust, a collection was taken, amounting to fifty-two dollars and seven cents.

J. E. H. Sentman, having been necessarily absent when the vote was taken, was allowed to vote, and the Secretary was directed to deposit his ballot.

Rev. Dr. Thompson and Rev. Dr. Imhoff, of Urbana; Revs. S. A. Keen, and F. F. Lewis, of the Ohio Conference; Gershom Lease, W. W. Winters, John Graham, and Parker Pope, of the Central Ohio Conference; T. Cundy, of the Kentucky Conference; and Judge Wm. Lawrence, were introduced to the Conference.

The Third Question, "*Who remain on trial?*" was taken up.

John R. Shannon, James S. Bitler, Wm. E. Kugler, David A. M'Colm, and Charles C. Jones, having been favorably represented by their examiners and presiding elders, those in charge having reported collections, were continued on trial.

The examiners reported that brother Bitler had brought up his studies laid over from last year.

On motion of D. J. Starr the Bishop was requested to appoint a committee of two to bear the fraternal greetings of the Cincinnati Conference to the Lay Electoral Conference, and assure them that it will be the pleasure of the Cincinnati Conference to receive that body at such time as may suit its convenience to attend.

J. M. Walden and J. W. Weakley were appointed a committee for that purpose.

The Tellers having completed their count the Bishop announced the result of the ballot as follows: Whole number of votes cast one hundred and fifty-two; necessary to a choice seventy-seven.

One hundred and fourteen votes having been cast for J. M. Walden he was declared elected.

No other candidate having received a majority of the votes cast a second ballot was ordered, and members were directed to vote for three delegates.

The time of the session was extended, and the vote was taken.



On motion it was ordered that when we adjourn it be to meet at two o'clock, to remain in session one hour.

The Bishop appointed J. W. Weakley to conduct the opening services of to-morrow morning.

After giving notices, Conference adjourned with the benediction by A. B. Leonard.

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#### AFTERNOON SESSION.

*FRIDAY AFTERNOON, September 5, 1879.*

CONFERENCE met, pursuant to adjournment, at two o'clock, Bishop Simpson in the chair.

W. H. Sutherland conducted the opening devotional services.

The Journal of the morning's session was read and approved.

The tellers having reported the count of the second ballot the Bishop announced the result of the vote as follows: Whole number of votes cast one hundred and forty-four; necessary to a choice, seventy-three; number of candidates voted for, thirty.

Eighty-five votes having been cast for W. L. Hypes he was declared elected.

No other candidate having received a majority of votes, there remain two delegates to be elected.

The members of the Lay Electoral Conference, having accepted the invitation of the Cincinnati Conference, appeared in a body, and were conducted to reserved seats within the bar of the Conference.

J. M. Walden, of the Committee of Invitation, presented the laymen to Bishop Simpson, who introduced them and their President, Judge Henderson Elliott, of Dayton, to the Annual Conference, the ministers rising to receive them.

To a cordial greeting by Bishop Simpson, Judge Elliott, on behalf of the Laymen's Conference, responded, delivering an earnest, cordial, and enthusiastic address, abounding in encouraging and religious sentiments.

The time of the session was extended.

By invitation of the Conference Bishop Simpson responded in its behalf, and his address was followed by brief and stirring remarks from J. M. Walden, W. L. Hypes, G. Moody, S. D. Clayton, and J. W. Weakley of the Annual Conference, and by Col. W. R. Warnock and Judge Wm. M. Meek of the Lay Conference.

By special invitation Dr. John Miley, of the New York Conference, also spoke.

The Conferences sang the hymn commencing

"Blest be the tie that binds,"

and were led in prayer by A. Lowrey.

After parting words by Judge Elliott, the laymen retired, and Conference proceeded to cast its third ballot for General Conference delegates, having yet two to elect.

Rev. D. Berger, D. D., fraternal delegate from the Miami Conference of the United Brethren Church; Rev. W. F. Lacount, of the Minnesota Conference; and Rev. B. N. Spahr, of the Ohio Conference, were introduced to the Conference.

After the giving of notices, Conference adjourned with the benediction by Dr. Berger.

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### Fourth Day.

SATURDAY MORNING. September 6, 1879.

CONFERENCE opened at 8½ o'clock, Bishop Simpson in the chair, J. W. Weakley, by appointment of the Bishop, conducting the usual prayer service; J. J. Hill and A. B. Leonard also leading the devotions of Conference.

The tellers having made their returns, the Bishop announced the results of the third ballot as follows: Whole number of votes cast, one hundred and forty-two; necessary to a choice, seventy-two; number of persons voted for, seventeen.

C. H. Payne, having received seventy-three votes, was declared elected.

On motion Conference proceeded to cast its fourth ballot for the election of one delegate and the tellers retired.

Rev. J. M. Trimble, D. D., of the Ohio Conference; Rev. A. J. Kynett, D. D., Secretary of the Church Extension Society; and Rev. W. H. Boole, of the New York East Conference, were introduced by Bishop Simpson.

The Seventh question, "*Who have been elected and ordained Elders?*" was taken up.

H. Tuckley, A. D. Maddox, B. F. Dimmick, M. M. Kugler, G. W. Dubois, J. E. H. Sentman, G. L. Travis, J. I. Taggart, and J. H. Davis reported their collections, and, having been satisfactorily represented by their presiding elders and examiners, their characters were passed, and all, except J. I. Taggart, were elected to elder's orders, he having been previously ordained. J. H. Davis was granted a supernumerary relation.

The sixth question—"Who are the Deacons of the Second Class?" was taken up.

Frank Leever, C. W. Rishell, and E. D. Keyes reported their collections, and, after they were represented by their examiners and presiding elders, their characters were passed. C. W. Rishell, having passed his examination on the course of study for the fourth year, was elected to elder's orders.

The tellers reported and the Bishop announced the results of the fourth ballot as follows: Whole number of votes cast, one hundred and forty-three; necessary to a choice, seventy-two; no member having received more than sixty-three votes there was no election.

Conference proceeded to cast its fifth ballot, and the tellers retired.

John A. Story being a deacon of four years' standing, was represented by the examiners of the fourth year and his presiding elder, and was elected to elder's orders.

The call was made for recommendations of local preachers for deacon's orders, and the recommendation of George W. Menaugh from Manchester Quarterly Conference, of Ripley District, was read, and, after a representation by his presiding elder and the statement that the work requires his services as a deacon, he was elected.

Jas. S. Bitler, recommended from Carthage Quarterly Conference, West Cincinnati District, was represented by his examiners and presiding elder and elected to deacon's orders.

The call of the Districts was made for recommendations of local preachers for elder's orders, and none were presented.

The Conference Stewards presented and read their final report, and it was adopted.

Rev. E. D. Whitlock, of the Central Ohio Conference; Rev. D. Curry, D. D., Editor of the *National Repository*; and Rev. A. G. Byers, of the Ohio Conference, were introduced to the Conference.

The examination of effective elders was resumed, and S. A. Brewster, Presiding Elder, represented his work and the observance of the Missionary plan within the Springfield District, and his character was passed.

The tellers reported, and the Bishop announced the result of the fifth ballot as follows: Whole number of votes cast, one hundred and forty-six; necessary to a choice, seventy-four.

The highest number of votes cast for any person being seventy-two, there was no election.

Conference proceeded to cast its sixth ballot.

The time appointed for fixing the place of the next session having come, the order of the day was taken up.

Invitations were received from Raper Church, Dayton, and the Churches at Ripley and Middletown.

Dayton was favorably represented by the ministers and laymen present; Ripley was withdrawn; and after full representations from Middletown, the invitation from that place was accepted by a unanimous vote.

The Bishop introduced to the Conference Revs. Joseph Ayers and J. S. Blair, of the Central Ohio Conference; Rev. Wm. M'Kee, of the United Brethren Church; and Judge Henderson Elliott and Edward Sargent, Esq., delegates-elect from the Lay Electoral Conference to the ensuing General Conference.

Leave of absence was granted the Conference Stewards.

Dr. John Miley addressed the Conference in the interests of the Drew Theological Seminary, and appealed to the Cincinnati Conference for a subscription of five hundred dollars. This amount was raised before the adjournment of session.

The tellers reported, and the Bishop announced the result of the sixth ballot as follows: Whole number of votes cast, one hundred and forty-five; necessary to a choice, seventy-three.

W. I. Fee, having received ninety-one votes, was declared elected.

A ballot was ordered and taken for two reserve delegates, and the tellers retired.

Papers relating to Periodicals and the Sunday-school Union and Tract Societies were received, and referred to their appropriate committees.

T. S. Cowden was appointed a teller in place of M. P. Gaddis.

The Trustees of Mulberry Street Church, Troy, were granted permission to sell a part of their church lot.

Rev. Dr. Berger, a delegate from the Miami Conference of the United Brethren Church, presented the greetings of his Conference and delivered a fraternal address, which was well received.

T. H. Pearne presented in response the following resolution, signed by himself and A. B. Leonard:

*Resolved*, That we have met the fraternal delegate of the Miami Conference of the Church of the United Brethren in Christ, Rev. Dr. Berger, to this Conference, and have listened to his fraternal greetings with much satisfaction, and will bear upon our prayers our brother and the cause he has so ably represented; and also that we will respond to the courtesy shown by his presence among us by sending a representative from this Conference to the next annual session of the said Miami Conference.

The resolution was adopted.

Dr. Curry addressed the Conference in the interests of the *National Repository*.

The tellers reported, and the Bishop announced the result of the seventh ballot as follows: Whole number of votes cast, one hundred and twenty-nine; necessary to a choice, sixty-five.

S. A. Brewster, having received ninety-nine votes, was declared elected as the first reserve delegate.

On motion the Secretary was directed to cast the ballot of the Conference for R. S. Rust as a reserve delegate.

The ballot was cast, and the Bishop announced the election of R. S. Rust.

Dr. Kynett addressed the Conference in the interests of the Church Extension Society.

The time of the session was extended.

Leave of absence was granted to R. S. Rust, and the Bishop appointed J. W. Weakley to take his place as president of the committee in the trial of J. Stephenson.

C. Ferguson was substituted for W. Young on the Committee on Temperance.

The Bishop appointed L. F. Van Cleve to conduct the devotional services on Monday morning.

On motion J. J. Hill was requested to deliver his semi-centennial address on Monday afternoon, at two o'clock.

After publication of notices Conference adjourned, with the benediction by Dr. A. J. Kynett.

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### Fifth Day.

MONDAY MORNING, September 8, 1879.

CONFERENCE opened at 8½ o'clock, Bishop Simpson in the chair, L. F. Van Cleve, by appointment, conducting the prayer-service, E. Burdall, C. H. Payne, and F. Hypes also leading the devotions of the Conference.

The Journal of Saturday's session was read and approved.

Leave of absence was granted J. F. Loyd, J. H. Davis, and Henry Witham.

The examination of effective elders was resumed.

The characters of W. A. Robinson, F. G. Mitchell, J. F. Marlay, A.

N. Spahr, D. L. Hayward, S. W. Carey, J. S. Pumphrey, G. H. Kennedy, W. P. Jackson, J. G. Black, C. H. Lawton, J. M. Shultz, A. W. Tibbits, F. M. Clemans, W. H. Smith, H. M. Keck, J. P. Shultz, E. C. Smith, S. B. Smith, C. H. Kalbfus, J. L. Gregg, and L. D. McCabe were passed, all who were present and in charge of work having reported their collections.

J. T. Bail, P. E., represented the state of the work and the observance of the Missionary plan within the Hillsboro District, and his character was passed.

Bishop Simpson presented the following certificate of ordination :

"I hereby certify that John Y. Leming, James S. Bitler, and George W. Menaugh were by me ordained Deacons; and that Henry Tuckley, Allen D. Maddox, Benjamin F. Dimmick, Matthias M. Kugler, George W. Dubois, Jacob E. H. Sentman, Gilbert L. Travis, John H. Davis, Charles W. Rishell, and John A. Story were by me, assisted by several Elders, ordained as Elders, on Sabbath, September 7, 1879.

" M. SIMPSON."

The characters of J. Kendall, T. Collett, R. E. Smith, G. M. Edgar, J. C. Boltin, J. P. Porter, A. M. Griffith, C. F. Gowdy, J. H. Middleton, A. Hamilton, A. D. Raleigh, E. M. Cole, and J. F. Loyd were passed, those in charge having reported their collections.

J. F. Loyd spoke briefly on the interests of Hillsboro College.

Wm. I. Fee, P. E., reported on the state of the Church and the observance of the Missionary plan within the Ripley District, and his character was passed.

The characters of T. J. Harris, W. J. Quarry, E. M'Hugh, L. M. Davis, W. J. Baker, D. L. Aultman, W. B. Moler, N. W. Darlington, W. M. Boyer, W. H. Sutherland, S. N. Marsh, W. Mahon, J. F. M'Colm, J. Vance, H. Stokes, S. W. Edmiston, E. P. James, C. J. Wells, and C. W. Drees were passed, those in charge reporting their collections.

W. J. Quarry and L. M. Davis were granted a supernumerary relation at their own request.

James H. Roberts, a probationer, and until recently a Missionary to New Mexico, was discontinued.

The Eighth Question, "*Who are the supernumerary preachers?*" was taken up.

The characters of J. F. Chalfant, and G. W. Fee were passed, and J. F. Chalfant was continued in a supernumerary relation.

The character of George Parrott was passed, and he was granted a location, after which his parchments of ordination were surrendered to the Conference.

A. Lowrey addressed the Conference; his character was passed, and, at his request, his relation was continued.

The following resolution, presented by G. Moody, and signed by himself and others, was adopted :

*Resolved*, That we heartily approve of the enterprise of Rev. Dr. Lowrey in the publication of the work, entitled, "The Divine Life and International Expositor of Scriptural Holiness."

Its contributed articles are original and superior; its editorials instructive and profitable. We delight in the diffusion of all light on the subject of personal holiness, as we ever affirm that "God raised up the people called Methodists to spread Scriptural holiness over all these lands."

Bishop Simpson took occasion also to express his appreciation of this excellent publication, and to commend it and Dr. Lowrey to the Conference and the Church.

Letters from M. J. Cramer, Bishop Wiley, and Rev. Carl Schou were read, in relation to brother Cramer's health and his character and usefulness; his character was passed, and he was continued in a supernumerary relation.

J. Verity was made effective, and the Bishop was requested to give him an appointment as Conference Missionary.

J. W. Weakley addressed the Conference; his character was passed, and he was granted a superannuated relation.

S. F. Conrey's character was passed, and his supernumerary relation continued.

The names of W. B. Jackson and W. T. M'Mullen were called, their characters were passed, and the time of fixing their Conference relation deferred.

John T. Short was reported as withdrawn from the Church, and the fact was so entered on the Journal.

Leave of absence was granted to D. A. M'Colm and J. A. Story.

The Stewards made their final report, and distribution of funds to Conference claimants.

Judge W. M. Meek read the Report of the Committee on Finance, which, after amendment, was adopted, and its publication in the *Western Christian Advocate* was requested.

The time of the session was extended.

The Ninth Question, "*Who are the superannuated preachers?*" was taken up.

The name of John F. Wright was called; his character was passed, and his relation continued.

Wm. Young, W. Herr, G. Moody, and A. Lowrey were appointed to



address Dr. Wright a letter expressive of the affection of Conference for him, and did so in the following letter :

CONFERENCE ROOM, }  
Urbana, September 9, 1879. }

REV. JOHN F. WRIGHT, D. D. :

*Venerable Father in Christ*,—Having heard of your extreme bodily debility, thus preventing your mingling with us in Conference session as you have been wont to do, the undersigned were appointed to address to you a letter of sympathy and Christian love. It affords us great pleasure to learn that amid the feebleness of extreme age the Master, whom you have served so many years, preserves you from painful suffering, fills you with divine peace and joy, and gently conducts you forward to the final hour of your transfer to the rest and immortal bliss of heaven. We thank God for the grace vouchsafed in crowning your long ministerial life of sixty-four years with pre-eminent purity, exemplary meekness, and wonderful success in the conversion of thousands of souls. Your example of fidelity, in all the departments of ministerial life, we shall ever regard as a rich benediction, a priceless heritage. Extending to you the sympathy and love of the Conference, we devoutly pray that you may continue to enjoy divine support and be honored at last with the crown of the redeemed in heaven.

In behalf of the Cincinnati Conference, most affectionately, yours in Christ,

WM. YOUNG,  
W. HERR,

GRANVILLE MOODY,  
A. LOWREY.

Copies of the letter were requested for publication in the Conference Minutes and also in the *Western Christian Advocate*.

The names of M. P. Gaddis, J. S. Peregrine, J. C. Maddy, John Barton, B. Glasscock, J. W. Stone, D. Callahan, A. Murphy, R. Brandriff, D. Warnock, D. Kemper, J. L. Grover, D. H. Sargent, W. Webster, N. M'Donald, R. A. Arthur, W. E. Hines, J. W. Keely, C. Kalbfus, G. C. Crum, J. M. Robinson, M. G. Baker, and W. N. Maxey were called, and several of those present addressed the Conference. Their characters were passed and their superannuated relation continued, except in the case of D. Warnock, who was granted a supernumerary relation.

On motion of F. G. Mitchell, it was ordered that all reports should be clearly and legibly written, and on only one side of the paper.

J. N. Irvin read the Report of the Committee on Observance of the Sabbath, which was adopted without opposition, and its publication in the *Western Christian Advocate* was requested.

On motion of G. Moody a collection was taken for the sexton, which amounted to twenty dollars.

C. Ferguson was appointed by the Bishop to conduct the opening religious services to-morrow morning.

After the publication of notices Conference adjourned, with the benediction by J. B. Ellsworth.

## Sixth Day.

TUESDAY MORNING, September 9, 1879.

CONFERENCE opened at 8½ o'clock, Bishop Simpson in the chair.

Charles Ferguson, by appointment, conducted the prayer-service, J. G. Black, L. Clark, A. Lowrey, and C. W. Ketcham also leading the devotions of the Conference.

The Journal of yesterday's session was read and approved.

W. Herr announced, on behalf of the Preachers' Relief Society, a donation of one hundred dollars to its treasury by A. Lowrey.

The Secretary read the report of the Select Committee in the case of D. R. Baker, as follows :

## FINDINGS AND VERDICT OF THE COURT

IN THE CASE OF

**The Cincinnati Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church  
vs. Delos R. Baker.**

URBANA, O., September 8, 1879.

*Specification 1st.* Sustained, eleven votes; sustained in part, three votes.

*Specification 2d.* Sustained, three votes; not sustained, three votes; sustained in part, eight votes.

*Specification 3d.* Not sustained, five votes; sustained as to the words, "At the same time and place," nine votes.

*Specification 4th.* Sustained, thirteen votes; sustained in part, one vote.

*Specification 5th.* Sustained, vote unanimous.

THE CHARGE. Sustained. Vote, unanimous.

The following motion was made and carried :

"That D. R. Baker be expelled from the ministry and membership of the Methodist Episcopal Church."

WM. YOUNG, *President.*M. M. KUGLER, *Secretary.*

W. Herr reported the names of the officers of the Preachers' Relief Society.

Brother Herr also submitted the report of the Conference Trustees, which was adopted, and the officers nominated were elected.

The Second Question, "*Who are admitted on trial?*" was taken up.

Benjamin D. Hypes, Valorous F. Brown, and Wilbur P. Thirkield were represented by the Special Committee—the Examiners and the Presiding Elders—and received on trial.

The Conference having declined to receive L. O. Deputy on trial,

the Presiding Elder of the Dayton District was given leave to employ him.

Felipe N. Cordova, a deacon, recommended by the Mission District Conference in Mexico, was admitted on trial.

Jesus Medina, also recommended by the Mission District Conference in Mexico, was admitted on trial, and his orders as an elder in the Episcopal Church in Mexico were recognized, he having been examined as to his agreement with the usages and doctrines of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

German Lüders and Eligio Lopez, transferred as probationers from the North Carolina Conference to the Cincinnati Conference; and being recommended by the Mission District Conference in Mexico, they were elected to elders' orders.

The Secretaries, S. B. Smith and J. W. Sutherland, were constituted the committee to publish the Conference Minutes.

A. W. Tibbits presented and read the following resolution, signed by himself and others:

*Resolved*, That our Secretary be instructed to furnish our representatives to the next General Conference a certified copy of the resolutions on constitutional questions, passed by this Conference at its session in 1876, and found on page 24 of the printed Minutes of that year, and that our representatives be instructed to present the same to the General Conference, as an important part of our action on those questions.

The resolution was adopted.

The Committee on Trial in the case of James Stephens onreported as follows:

*Whereas*, The fact that the Rev. James Stephenson was, on the 29th of November, 1878, in a grossly intoxicated condition in Dayton, Ohio, as is admitted; yet, in view of the condition of his system at that time, on account of the disuse of tobacco, disease, and loss of sleep, consequent upon the serious sickness of his family, and the long-sustained mental anxiety, occasioned by the shadow of a great scandal, and having, according to the testimony of physicians, a peculiarly sensitive, nervous organization, excited at that time by the use of medicines injudiciously taken without the immediate advice of a physician, thus paving the easy way to his fall; therefore,

*Resolved*, That while we adjudge him guilty of imprudence and of immorality in the outward act, yet we, in view of all the facts, exonerate him from all intentional wrong-doing.

*Resolved*, In view of his suspension from the ministry during the past nine months, and of his penitence, we recommend the passage of his character.

J. W. WEAKLEY, *President*.

G. M. HAMMELL, *Secretary*.

The character of brother Stephenson was passed.

J. F. Conrey, Treasurer of the Conference Missionary Society, made his report, which was adopted.

It was agreed that when the Conference adjourned it should be to meet at two o'clock, and that the memorial service should then be first in order.

G. W. Fee was granted an effective relation.

W. T. M'Mullen and W. B. Jackson were continued in a supernumerary relation.

T. H. Pearne presented the following communication :

Please allow me to express my profound gratitude to the members and friends of the Cincinnati Conference, at the recent session, for their noble gift (\$160), as a testimonial of personal regard for the undersigned. The movement having been made previous to my arrival at the seat of the Conference, its spontaneity and generosity are the more honorable on the part of the donors, and by me the more highly appreciated. May the Giver of every good gift confer on the donors a rich affusion of divine grace.

W. HERR.

Conference requested Brother Herr's appointment as Financial Secretary of the Preachers' Relief Society.

H. Tuckley reported as Treasurer of the S. S. Union, and his report was adopted.

On motion, the roll of Conference was called, and subscriptions taken for Conference Minutes.

T. H. Pearne offered the following resolution of respect to Bishop Simpson, which was adopted by a rising vote :

*Resolved*, That the official visit and ministrations among us of our beloved superintendent, Rev. Bishop Simpson, during our present session have greatly endeared him to our hearts.

We recognize his truly Christian spirit, his wise counsels, his firm and faithful yet kind administration, his earnest words for Jesus, and his able and impartial presidency, as eminently conspicuous. We pray God to bless and preserve and prosper him in all his life and work.

A. N. SPAHR,

W. A. ROBINSON,

W. L. HYPES,

W. I. FEE,

THOS. H. PEARNE,

S. A. BREWSTER,

J. F. MARLAY,

WM. YOUNG.

John S. Pumphrey made the Treasurer's report of the Episcopal Fund, and his report was adopted.

C. W. Rishell read the reports of the Committee and the Treasurer of the American Bible Society, and the reports were adopted.

J. P. Porter read the report of the Committee on Temperance, and the report was adopted.

S. B. Smith read the report of the Committee on the Freedmen's Aid Society, in which the official action of R. S. Rust was cordially approved.

The report and resolutions respecting Dr. Rust were adopted by a rising vote.

T. D. W. Peake, for the Committee on Sabbath-schools, read the report, which was adopted.

The Committee on Education was granted leave to retire.

C. F. Gowdy read the report of the Committee on Church Extension, and S. Weeks the Treasurer's Report of the Conference Church Extension Society, which were adopted.

W. B. Moler, Treasurer for the Freedmen's Aid Society, made his report, which was adopted.

W. Mahon reported collections for the Conference Educational Society, and his report was adopted.

It was ordered that educational funds, not otherwise assigned, should be paid to President C. H. Payne, of the University at Delaware, to be distributed among needy students, as he and the Faculty may deem best.

The Committee on Parsonages reported through J. M'Kendree Shultz, and their report was adopted.

R. E. Smith, Statistical Secretary, read the summary of reports.

S. N. Marsh read the report of the Committee on the Tract Cause, and the report was adopted.

The Committee on New York Accounts made a statement of the amounts collected.

J. W. Weakley, H. Tuckley, J. H. Middleton, F. Hypes, J. M. Walden, and Frank Leever were granted leave of absence.

W. H. Sutherland read the report of the Committee on Conference Resolutions, as follows:

1. *Resolved*, That we return our sincere thanks to the citizens of Urbana for their bountiful hospitality, and for the cordial manner in which they have entertained the Conference.

2. *Resolved*, That we are grateful to our sister denominations for the courtesy of their pulpits, and to the Presbyterian Church for the use of their lecture-room for committee purposes.

3. *Resolved*, That we hereby thank the several railroads for reduced rates of fare to the members and visitors of the Conference.

4. *Resolved*, That brothers Spahr and Marlay, for their untiring efforts to secure entertainment for the Conference, are deserving of our warmest thanks.

5. *Resolved*, That we have been delighted with the faithfulness and accuracy of the work of our Secretaries, Rev. D. J. Starr and his assistants, there not having been occasion for a single correction of the records during the session.

6. *Resolved*, That our thanks are due and are hereby tendered to the ladies of Urbana for the very handsome floral decorations which they have provided during our session.

WM. H. SUTHERLAND,  
W. A. ROBINSON,

J. M. WALDEN,  
A. B. LEONARD.

The report was adopted, and its publication in the Urbana papers was requested.

S. B. Smith made a statement concerning the forthcoming Conference Minutes.

A collection was taken to pay for Conference stationery, and twelve dollars and forty-three cents were raised.

G. Moody was appointed to open the services of the afternoon session, and, in the absence of Bishop Simpson, to preside.

After singing the Doxology and the giving of notices, Conference adjourned, with the benediction by M. Kauffman.

#### AFTERNOON SESSION.

*TUESDAY AFTERNOON, September 9, 1879.*

CONFERENCE opened at 2 o'clock with devotional services, conducted by G. Moody, who, by appointment of Bishop Simpson, occupied the chair.

The time appointed for the memorial services having come, Conference sang the hymn beginning

"There is no night in heaven."

M. Dustin read the memoir of the Rev. Elijah H. Field.

T. S. Cowden read the memoir of the Rev. J. C. Deem; following which Conference sang two verses of the hymn,

"Servant of God, well done."

James Kendall read the memoir of the Rev. Joseph M'Dowell Matthews, D. D.

T. S. Cowden read the memoir of the Rev. A. Meharry, D. D; after which Conference sang the hymn beginning

"Rest for the toiling hand."

The memoir of Mrs. Anna W. Simmons was read by W. N. Brodbeck.

The memoir of Mrs. Hattie L. Keck was read by D. J. Starr; after which Conference united in singing in part the hymn,

"Forever with the Lord."

G. Moody read the memoir of Mrs. Lydia Kenagy Harris; after which the hymn beginning

"Calm on the bosom of thy God"

was sung by Conference.

The memoir of Mrs. Mary Ann Keyes was read by W. E. Kugler.

The memoir of Mrs. Kate Renick Eastman was read by J. N. Irvin; after which a part of the 994th hymn was sung, beginning

"Soon shall the trump of God."

F. M. Clemans read the memoir of Mrs. Eliza Smith.

S. Weeks read the memoir of Rev. Joseph A. Reeder; after which the memoirs were adopted, and the memorial services were closed by joining in the Collect of our ritual for burial services and the singing of the 985th hymn:

"Oh for an overcoming faith."

Bishop Simpson took the chair.

On motion of S. B. Smith, the treasurers of the various Conference societies were directed to pay to the Publishing Committee the usual amount for publication of their reports.

S. Weeks read the report of the Committee on Education relating to the Ohio Wesleyan University.

President Payne addressed the Conference in regard to that institution, and the item was adopted.

That part of the report relating to the Cincinnati Wesleyan College was read and adopted.

That item relating to the Xenia College was read and adopted, and W. Herr was appointed to look after the financial interests of the Conference in the title to the property. The Bishop was also requested to appoint brother Herr Financial Agent of Xenia College.

That part of the report relating to the Drew Seminary and the Garrett Biblical Institute was read and adopted.

Item relating to the Springfield College and High School was read and adopted.

Item relating to the Hillsboro College was read and adopted.

And the report as a whole was adopted.

The officers of the Conference Educational Society were elected.

J. Pearson read the report of the Committee on Periodicals and Book Concern accounts, which was adopted.

T. H. Pearne, G. Moody, and J. M. Walden were appointed to report Rules of Order at the opening of the next session.



The following, presented by A. B. Leonard and T. H. Pearne, was adopted :

*Resolved*, That we will use our best diligence to secure a sum fully equal to one-tenth of our own salaries, and bring it up at our next session as our collection for the support of the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of those who have died in the work.

On motion of Wm. Herr a committee of three was ordered to take into consideration the expediency of organizing a Conference Domestic Missionary Society for work within the territory of our Conference, and report at our next session.

The presiding elders of the East and West Cincinnati Districts and the Dayton District were constituted such committee.

D. J. Starr was added to the Committee on Nominations for next year.

The officers of the Conference Church Extension Society were elected.

On motion of D. J. Starr the Committee on Nominations was directed to report names for a Special Committee on the Qualifications of Applicants for Admission on Trial for next year.

It was agreed that when we adjourn it shall be to meet at 7½ o'clock, and that the consideration of the subject of missions should be then first in order.

The Bishop announced the appointee and alternate for the Missionary sermon next year, and nominated the Committees of Examination, the Triers of Appeals, and the Commission on Boundaries. The nominations of the Bishop were confirmed.

The Journal of the morning's session was read and approved.

The Journal of the afternoon's session was read and approved, and Conference adjourned with the benediction by A. Lowrey.

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#### EVENING SESSION.

*TUESDAY EVENING, September 9, 1879.*

CONFERENCE opened, pursuant to adjournment, at 7½ o'clock, Bishop Simpson in the chair, with devotional services conducted by J. F. Conrey, in which J. Kendall led the Conference in prayer.

The Secretary was authorized to publish the minutes of the Lay Electoral Conference with the Conference Minutes. He was also directed to publish the Officers of Conference Societies, when not otherwise furnished, as they were printed last year.

C. C. Jones was discontinued at his own request.

On motion of R. E. Smith the resolutions of the Statistical Committee

of last year were re-adopted, substituting the Secretary for the Statistical Secretaries in the first resolution.

On motion of A. Lowrey the Conference declared that it would be pleased to see Brother J. J. Hill's Semi-centennial Address published in pamphlet form, should the author see fit to give it to the public in that form.

According to previous request Bishop Simpson addressed the Conference on the best means of promoting the interests of the Missionary Cause within our charges.

J. F. Conrey moved a resolution that we will make persistent effort to bring up our Missionary collections to an average of at least one dollar per member. W. H. Sutherland, T. H. Pearne, L. F. Van Cleve, and J. Pearson spoke on the subject. J. F. Marlay moved to amend by substituting fifty cents for one dollar. The amendment was adopted and the resolution as amended was adopted.

J. M. Walden was appointed to make arrangements with the Railroads for next year's session.

The Journal of the evening's session was read and approved. The Bishop announced the 816th hymn, which was sung, and Dr. Payne led the Conference in a closing prayer.

Bishop Simpson addressed the Conference in a tender and suggestive manner, in reference to our work and to the assignment of ministers to their charges

The Bishop announced the transfer of Earl Cranston from the Cincinnati to the Colorado Conference; and of Henry Baker to the Newark Conference; also the transfer to this Conference of J. F. M'Clelland.

Bishop Simpson then announced the appointments as follows (on page 35), and on motion Conference adjourned *sine die*, the Bishop pronouncing the benediction.

## II.

### DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS.

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QUESTION 1. *Have any entered this Conference by transfer or re-admission?*

By transfer J. Kendall, from the Ohio Conference; J. F. M'Clelland, from the New York Conference; German Luders and Eligio Lopez, probationers from the North Carolina Conference; and John Y. Leming, a probationer from the Kentucky Conference.

QUESTION 2. *Who are admitted on trial?*

Benjamin D. Hypes, Valorous F. Brown, Wilbur P. Thirkield, Felipe N. Cordova, and Jesus Medina; also German Luders and Eligio Lopez by transfer.

QUESTION 3. *Who remain on trial?*

John R. Shannon, James S. Bitler, Wm. E. Kugler, D. A. M'Colm.

QUESTION 4. *Who are admitted into full connection?*

Henry Witham, Henry C. Weakley, Stanley O. Royal, John A. Story, John A. White, John Y. Leming.

QUESTION 5. *Who are the Deacons of the first class?*

Henry Witham, H. C. Weakley, S. O. Royal, J. A. Story, J. A. White, J. Y. Leming.

QUESTION 6. *Who are the Deacons of the second class?*

Frank Leever, Edgar D. Keyes.

QUESTION 7. *Who have been elected and ordained Elders this year?*

H. Tuckley, A. D. Maddox, B. F. Dimmick, M. M. Kugler, G. W. Dubois, J. E. H. Sentman, G. L. Travis, J. H. Davis, C. W. Rishell, J. A. Story.

QUESTION 8. *Who are the Supernumerary Preachers?*

J. F. Chalfant, A. Lowrey, M. J. Cramer, S. F. Conrey, W. B. Jackson, W. T. M'Mullen, J. W. Sutherland, J. H. Davis, D. Warnock, W. J. Quarry, L. M. Davis.

QUESTION 9. *Who are the Superannuated Preachers?*

J. F. Wright, M. P. Gaddis, J. S. Peregrine, J. C. Maddy, J. Barton, B. Glasscock, J. W. Stone, D. Callahan, A. Murphy, R. Brandriff, D. Kemper, J. L. Grover, D. H. Sargent, W. Webster, N. M'Donald, R. A. Arthur, W. E. Hines, J. W. Keely, C. Kalbfus, G. C. Crum, J. M. Robinson, M. G. Baker, W. N. Maxey, J. W. Weakley.

QUESTION 10. *Was the character of each Preacher examined?*

It was, in open Conference.

QUESTION 11. *Have any located?*

George Parrott.

QUESTION 12. *Have any withdrawn?*

John T. Short.

QUESTION 13. *Have any been transferred, and to what Conference?*

Earl Cranston, to the Colorado Conference; Henry Baker, to the Newark Conference.

QUESTION 14. *Have any been expelled?*

Delos R. Baker.

QUESTION 15. *Have any died?*

E. H. Field, J. A. Reeder, J. C. Deem, J. M'D. Mathews, A. Meharry.

QUESTION 16. *What is the Statistical Report?*

Members, 35,486; Probationers, 2,143. (See Statistical Report.)

QUESTION 17. *What are the claims upon the Conference Fund?*

\$8,285. (See Stewards' Report.)

QUESTION 18. *What has been received on the foregoing claims, and how has it been applied?*

\$5,681.87. (See Stewards' Report.)

QUESTION 19. *Where are the Preachers Stationed?*

(See list of appointments.)

QUESTION 20. *Where and when shall the next Conference be held?*

Middletown, Ohio. Time not given.

QUESTION 21. *Have any Local Preachers been ordained?*

George W. Menaugh was ordained deacon.

QUESTION 22. *Are any of our Literary or Theological Institutions under the control and patronage of this Conference, and what is their condition?*

Yes. (See Report on Education.)

QUESTION 23. *Who are the Conference Board of Church Extension?*

(See officers of Conference Societies.)

### III.

## CONFERENCE BOARDS, EXAMINERS, ETC.

#### **Educational Society.**

*President*—L. D. M'CABE.  
*Vice-Presidents*—C. W. KETCHAM, D. H. MOORE.  
*Secretary*—JOHN F. MARLAY.  
*Treasurer*—W. MAHON.  
*Managers*—R. S. Rust, M. Dustin, S. A. Brewster, P. P. Mast, E. Parrott, J. R. Wright.

#### **Board of Church Extension.**

*President*—WM. YOUNG.  
*Vice-President*—J. W. DALE.  
*Corresponding Secretary*—D. J. STARR.  
*Recording Secretary*—JOHN PEARSON.  
*Treasurer*—J. F. LARKIN.  
*Additional Members*—J. H. Lease, N. W. Darlington, G. Moody, J. F. Johnson, J. M' Math, J. S. Perkins, Wm. M. Meek.

#### **Preachers' Relief Society.**

*President*—J. M. WALDEN.  
*Vice-President*—R. S. RUST.  
*Treasurer*—W. YOUNG.  
*Secretary*—A. U. BEALL.  
*Managers*—Ministers: M. Dustin, A. W. Tibbits, W. N. Williams, A. Lowrey, Wm. Herr, J. W. Weakley, J. G. Black, J. S. Whitney, W. J. Quarry, A. M. Griffith, S. D. Clayton. Laymen: J. Cochnower, John Dale, H. E. Parrott, J. F. Cunningham, Edward Sargent. W. Herr, Financail Secretary.

The President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer constitute the Finance committee.

#### **Committees of Examination, 1880.**

*Candidates for Admission*—M. P. Zink, J. R. Hunter, Wm. Mahon.  
*First Year Examination*—G. T. Weaver, W. N. Brodbeck, J. P. Shultz.  
*Second Year Examination*—N. W. Darlington, J. S. Whitney, F. M. Clemans.  
*Third Year Examination*—L. Clark, J. P. Porter, Jas. Murray.  
*Fourth Year Examination*—G. M. Edgar, J. F. Marlay, J. W. Cassatt.

*Local Deacons*—J. Pearson, J. W. Mason, E. M'Hugh.

*Local Elders*—E. T. Wells, R. K. Deem, J. G. Black.

#### **To Preach Missionary Sermon.**

H. B. RIDGAWAY; Alternate. S. N. MARSH.

#### **Missionary Society.**

*President*—W. H. SUTHERLAND.  
*Vice-President*—A. BOWERS.  
*Secretary*—A. M. GRIFFITH.  
*Treasurer*—J. F. CONREY.  
*Managers*—E. T. Wells, J. W. Mason, W. B. Moler, J. N. Irvin, J. W. Cassatt, W. N. Brodbeck, D. L. Hayward.

#### **Tract Society.**

*President*—JOHN PEARSON.  
*Vice-President*—R. K. DEEM.  
*Secretary*—G. S. M'LAUGHLIN.  
*Treasurer*—D. L. AULTMAN.  
*Managers*—A. N. Spahr, Geo. Kelley, W. J. Quarry, A. M. Griffith, J. A. White.

#### **Sunday-school Union.**

*President*—J. P. SHULTZ.  
*Vice-President*—A. BOWERS.  
*Secretary*—H. TUCKLEY.  
*Treasurer*—J. WILSON.  
*Managers*—J. W. Gaddis, A. N. Spahr, J. R. Hunter, J. W. Mason, W. N. Brodbeck, S. W. Carey, C. T. Crum.

#### **Conference Trustees.**

*President*—W. YOUNG.  
*Secretary*—W. HERR.  
*Treasurer*—J. T. BAIL.  
*Trustees*—J. W. Weakley, W. H. Sutherland, W. L. Hypes, Jno. W. Dale, S. A. Cairns.  
The President, Secretary, and J. W. Dale were constituted the Advisory Committee.

#### **For Triers of Appeals.**

C. W. Ketcham, W. L. Hypes, J. T. Bail, J. F. Conrey, L. F. Van Cleave, W. Q. Shannon, J. W. Cassatt.

# IV.

## APPOINTMENTS.

### EAST CINCINNATI DISTRICT.

A. B. LEONARD, P. E.

CINCINNATI: *Wesley Chapel*—G. W. Kelley.

*Trinity*—J. N. Irvin.

*Asbury*—J. H. Lease.

*Pearl Street*—W. H. Miesse.

*Mt. Auburn*—J. Pearson.

*Walnut Hills*—H. B. Ridgaway.

*Grace Church*—B. F. Dimmick.

*M'Kendree & Pendleton*—W. Young, B. D. Hypes.

*Columbia*—C. T. Crum.

*Madisonville*—A. Bowers.

*Mt. Washington and Red Bank*—John A. Story.

*Camp Dennison*—W. E. Kugler.

*Milford and Perintown*—S. Bennett.

*Centenary*—J. J. Hill.

*Loveland*—V. F. Brown.

*Mainville*—M. Dustin.

*Lebanon*—S. D. Clayton.

*Goshen*—C. H. Lawton.

*Morrow and South Lebanon*—Geo. W. Dubois.

*Waynesville*—J. T. Bail.

*New Burlington*—D. Whitmer.

XENIA: *First Church*—L. Clark.

*Trinity*—W. N. Brodbeck.

*Miami Circuit*—Gilbert L. Travis.

*West Chester & Sharon*—F. W. Hypes.

Thomas Lee, Chaplain and Superintendent of Cincinnati Union Bethel, member of Trinity Quarterly Conference.

D. H. Moore, President of Cincinnati Wesleyan College, member of Trinity Quarterly Conference.

### WEST CINCINNATI DISTRICT.

W. RUNYAN, P. E.

CINCINNATI: *St. Paul*—J. F. M'Clelland.

*St. John's*—M. M. Kugler.

*Christie*—C. W. Ketcham.

*Finley*—S. O. Royal.

*York Street*—David J. Starr.

*M'Lean*—Henry C. Weakley.

*Fairmount*—Jacob E. H. Sentman.

*Cumminsville*—Frank Leever.

*Groesbeck*—Henry Witham.

*Winton Place and Camp Washington*—Chas. W. Rishell.

*Hartwell*—J. F. Conrey.

*Carthage and Pleasant Ridge*—John A. White.

*Lockland*—D. C. Vance.

*Port Union*—E. Burdsall.

*Cheviot*—J. A. Easton.

*Bethany*—J. S. Whitney.

*Hamilton*—G. Moody.

*Oxford*—A. N. Spahr.

*Venice*—J. R. Hunter.

*Harrison*—J. S. Bitler.

*Eaton*—T. S. Cowden.

*Camden*—G. T. Weaver.

*Seven-mile*—R. K. Deem.

*New Paris*—L. F. Young.

*Fair Haven and Sugar Valley*—Henry Miller.

*Walker and Union*—John R. Shannon.

*North Bend*—J. F. Hull.

*Delhi*—Henry Tuckley.

R. S. Rust, Secretary of Freedmen's Aid Society, and member of St. Paul Quarterly Conference.

C. H. Payne, President Ohio Wesleyan University, member of St. Paul Quarterly Conference.

J. M. Walden, Agent of Western Book Concern, and member of Winton Place and Camp Washington Quarterly Conference.

### DAYTON DISTRICT.

T. H. PEARNE, P. E.

DAYTON: *Grace Church*—W. L. Hypes.

*Raper*—E. T. Wells.

*Sears Street and Davison Chapel*—John W. Gaddis.

TROY: *Mulberry Street*—M. A. Richards.

*Tippecanoe and Kessler*—M. Kauffman.

*Addison*—A. D. Raleigh.

*Concord*—T. E. Fidler.

*Brookville*—J. L. Gregg.

*Gordon*—Geo. M. Hammell.

*Germantown*—John Y. Leming, W. P. Thirkield.

*West Elkton and Winchester*—J. C. Ambrose.

*PIQUA: Green Street*—J. W. Cassatt.

*Grace Church*—James Stephenson.

*Lockington*—H. M. Keck.

*Casstown*—W. H. Black.

*St. Paris and Lena*—F. S. Davis.

*Brandt*—N. Prince.

*Miamisburg*—J. W. Mason.

*Franklin*—S. Weeks.

*Red Lion and Springboro*—A. U. Beall.

*Fairfield*—G. M. Edgar.

*New Carlisle*—J. M. Shultz.

*Middletown*—G. H. Dart.

*Monroe*—D. D. Cheney.

*Northampton*—C. H. Kalbfus.

Wm. Herr, Financial Agent of Xenia College, and Financial Secretary Preachers' Relief Society; member of Grace Church Quarterly Conference.

#### SPRINGFIELD DISTRICT.

S. A. BREWSTER, P. E.

*SPRINGFIELD: Central Church*—W. A. Robinson.

*High Street*—T. J. Harris.

*URBANA: First Church*—J. F. Marlay.

*Grace Church*—James Murray.

*King's Creek*—D. L. Hayward.

*Mutual*—E. C. Smith.

*Mingo*—J. S. Pumphrey.

*North Lewisburg*—G. H. Kennedy.

*East Liberty*—C. T. Wells.

*Tremont*—J. G. Black.

*Union*—S. W. Carey.

*Centerville*—J. P. Porter.

*New Jasper*—A. W. Tibbits.

*Mechanicsburg*—F. M. Clemans.

*Moorefield*—W. H. Smith.

*Yellow Springs*—T. D. W. Peake.

*Jamestown*—J. P. Shultz.

*Catawba*—W. P. Jackson.

*South Charleston*—S. B. Smith.

*Old Town*—J. B. Ellsworth.

*Cedarville*—W. Q. Shannon.

*South Solon*—To be supplied by J. G. Hurlbut.

L. D. M'Cabe, Professor of Philosophy in Ohio Wesleyan University, member of High Street Quarterly Conference.

J. Verity, Conference Missionary, member of Jamestown Quarterly Conference.

#### HILLSBORO DISTRICT.

L. F. VAN CLEVE, P. E.

*Hillsboro*—James Kendall.

*Greenfield*—T. Collett.

*New Lexington*—R. E. Smith.

*Leesburg*—J. I. Taggart.

*Rainsboro*—C. F. Gowdy.

*Sinking Springs*—M. P. Zink, J. C. Boltin.

*Wilmington*—C. Ferguson.

*Bowersville*—A. M. Griffith.

*Clarksville*—A. D. Maddox.

*Lynchburg*—E. M. Cole; one to be supplied.

*Sugar-tree Ridge*—To be supplied.

*Butterville*—A. Hamilton.

*Newtonville*—W. N. Williams.

*Marshall*—David A. M'Colm.

*Martinsville*—Geo. S. M'Laughlin.

*Winchester*—John Wilson; one to be supplied.

John F. Loyd, President Hillsboro Female College, member of Hillsboro Quarterly Conference.

#### RIPLEY DISTRICT.

WM. I. FEE, P. E.

*Ripley*—F. G. Mitchell.

*Felicity*—H. C. Middleton.

*Georgetown*—E. M'Hugh.

*Bethel*—J. H. Middleton.

*New Richmond*—To be supplied by T. Cundy.

*Decatur*—E. D. Keyes.

*Manchester*—D. L. Aultman.

*Moscow*—W. B. Moler.

*Laurel*—N. W. Darlington.

*Amelia*—John Vance.

*Williamsburg*—W. M. Boyer.

*Batavia*—W. H. Sutherland.

*Aberdeen*—S. N. Marsh.

*Boston*—W. Mahon.

*Bantam*—Geo. W. Fee.

*Olive Branch*—J. F. M'Colm.

*Feesburg*—H. Stokes.

*Mt. Orab and Sardinia*—S. W. Edmiston.

*Marathon*—W. J. Baker.

*West Union*—E. P. James; one to be supplied.

*Moore's Chapel Mission*—To be supplied.

C. W. Drees, Eligio Lopez, German Lüders, Jesus Medina, and Felipe N. Cordova Missionaries to Mexico.



# V. REPORTS.

## CONFERENCE STEWARDS' REPORT.\*

CHARGES.	PREACHERS.	SALARIES.				House Rent..	Fifth Collec- tion.....
		Esti- mates.	Receipts.	P. E. Es- timates.	P. E. Re- ceipts.		
EAST CINCINNATI DISTRICT.	W. L. Hypes, P. E.	\$2,000	\$1,604 62			\$360	
Cincinnati: Wesley Chapel.	S. Weeks.....	1,600	1,600 00	\$150 00	\$150 00	Par..	\$57 00
Trinity.....	J. N. Irvin.....	2,000	2,000 00	200 00	200 00		200 00
Asbury.....	J. H. Lease.....	1,000	1,030 00	60 00	60 00	240	34 00
Pendleton.....	Wm. Young.....	300	300 00		12 00		5 00
Mt. Lookout.....							
Pearl Street.....	W. H. Miesse.....	700	700 00	50 00	50 00	Par..	36 45
Mt. Auburn.....	John Pearson.....	1,500	1,500 00	40 00	40 00		86 75
Walnut Hills.....	Henry Baker.....	2,500	2,500 00	300 00	300 00	Par..	250 00
Grace Church.....	B. F. Dimmick.....	1,100	1,100 00			300	65 50
M'Kendree.....	A. U. Beall.....	979	979 00	70 00	70 00	221	30 70
Columbia.....	M. M. Kugler.....						25 00
Madisonville.....	A. Bowers.....	1,000	1,000 00	90 00	90 00	240	85 00
Mt. Washig'n & Red Bank.	J. A. Story.....	600	606 00	60 00	60 00	60	42 00
Camp Dennison.....	W. N. Williams.....	650	523 63	60 00	50 00	120	
Milford.....	S. Bennett.....	700	700 00	50 00	50 00	120	12 00
Centenary.....	F. Hypes.....	600	600 00	60 00	60 00		20 00
Loveland.....							
Mainville.....	C. F. Crum.....	400	417 28			72	40 00
Lebanon.....	S. D. Clayton.....	1,000	1,000 00				29 15
Goshen.....	H. C. Middleton.....	550		60 00	60 00	Par..	18 75
Morrow & South Lebanon.	G. W. Dubois.....	900	820 00	45 00	35 00		16 70
Waynesville.....	L. F. Van Cleave.....	750		50 00	50 00	Par..	10 18
New Burlington.....	D. Whitmer.....	700	700 00		65 00	Par..	60 00
Vienna: First Church.....	L. Clark.....	1,300	1,300 00	110 00	110 00	Par..	100 00
Trinity.....	W. N. Brodbeck.....	1,000	1,100 00	110 00	110 00	Par..	100 00
Miami Circuit.....	G. L. Travis.....	615	557 80	42 50	39 15		33 00
West Chester & Sharon.....	G. S. M'Laughlin.....	700	687 00	50 00	45 00	72	21 00
Total.....		\$24,140	\$23,319 33	\$1657 50	\$1406 15	\$1705	\$1378 18
WEST CINCINNATI DISTRICT.	Wm. Runyan, P. E.	1,800	1,300 00	1800 00	1300 00	432	
Cincinnati: St. Paul.....	H. W. Ridgeway.....	3,500	3,500 00	288 00		Par..	311 12
St. John's.....		800	665 00	72 00	72 00		5 50
Christie.....	C. W. Ketcham.....	1,340	1,340 00	180 00		360	68 10
Finley.....	J. A. White.....	600	600 00	50 40	50 40		6 50
York Street.....	D. J. Starr.....	1,300	1,300 00	90 00	90 00	300	75 00
M'Lean.....	H. C. Weakley.....	600	500 00	35 00	35 00	168	8 00
Fairmount.....	G. W. Kelley.....	600	600 00	36 00	36 00		10 00
Comminsville.....	Henry Miller.....	800	700 00	28 00	28 00	192	5 00
Groesbeck.....	John Wilson.....	525	525 00	36 00	36 00	75	25 00
Vinton Pl. & Camp Wash'n	C. W. Rishell.....	1,000	860 65	64 70	53 90		79 75
Hartwell.....	J. F. Conrey.....	600	600 00	40 00	40 00		20 00
Carthage.....	J. S. Bitler.....	300	320 00	14 00	14 00		1 00
Lockland.....	D. C. Vance.....	1,100	1,100 00	108 00	108 00	Par..	75 00
Port Union.....	E. Birdsall.....	765	765 00	53 00	53 00	Par..	59 00
Cheviot.....	C. C. Jones.....	600	600 00	36 00	36 00		25 00
Bethany.....	J. S. Whitney.....	800	800 00	62 00	62 00	Par..	22 75
Hamilton.....	G. Moody.....	1,100	1,100 00	125 00	125 00	Par..	37 30
Oxford.....	J. Murray.....	1,000	1,000 00	80 00	80 00	Par..	64 75
Venice.....	J. R. Hunter.....						5 00
Harrison.....	G. T. Weaver.....	485	442 74	39 60	24 00	144	16 00
Eaton.....	T. S. Cowden.....	1,200	1,200 00	108 00	108 00	Par..	71 00
Camden.....	J. E. H. Sentman.....	696	604 50	54 00	43 28	Par..	12 00
Seven-mile.....	R. K. Deem.....	700	650 00	37 50	37 50	Par..	40 00
New Paris.....	L. F. Young.....						
Fair Haven & Sugar Valley	J. J. Hill.....	500	487 00	25 00	25 00		14 65
Walker and Union.....	J. R. Shannon.....	465	480 50	26 50	26 50		11 50

\*By action of Conference pastors were required to report only the amount actually estimated and actually paid by their respective Churches for the support of pastor and presiding elder; and to report parsonages where the Church owns them; otherwise, the amount paid for house rent.

CHARGES.	PREACHERS.	SALARIES.				House Rent.	High Collec- tion.
		Full- time.	Receipts.	P. E. Re- cipes.	P. E. Re- cipes.		
North Bend.....	J. F. Hall.....	\$700	\$400 00	\$32 00	\$32 00	\$120	\$5 00
Delhi.....	Henry Tuckley.....	600	600 00			150	16 00
		\$25,476	\$24,040 39		\$1230 58	\$2031	\$1098 92
DAYTON DISTRICT.....	T. H. Pearne, P. E.	756	537 65			175	7 mos.
Grace Church.....	A. B. Leonard.....	2,000	2,000 00	174 58	174 58	Par.	200 00
Raper.....	E. T. Wells.....	1,400	1,400 00	145 00	145 00	Par.	175 00
Sears St. & Davison Ch.	J. W. Gaddis.....	800	800 00	19 00	19 00	150	5 25
Troy: Mulberry.....	M. A. Richards.....	1,200	1,200 00	90 00	90 00	300	70 00
Tippecanoe & Kessler.....	J. W. Mason.....	825	705 00	35 00	35 00	150	20 00
Addison.....	M. P. Zink.....	525	362 00			Par.	25 00
Concord.....	T. E. Fidler.....	600					10 00
Brookville.....	J. A. Easton.....	500	400 00	50 00	36 40	40	7 50
Gordon.....	J. B. Ellsworth.....	400	370 61	25 00	25 00		14 40
Germantown.....	J. J. Hill.....						3 90
West Elkton & Winchester	L. O. Deputy.....	496	425 00	25 00	25 00	60	5 00
Piqua: Green Street.....	J. W. Cassatt.....	1,200	1,200 00	145 00	145 00	150	51 50
Grace Church.....	S. O. Royal.....	600	600 00	25 00	25 00		10 00
Lockington.....	J. C. Ambrose.....	500	480 00	25 00	20 00		1 00
Troy Circuit.....	W. H. Black.....	650	650 00	45 00	45 00	Par.	25 00
St. Paris and Lena.....	M. Dustin.....	700	700 00	55 00	51 25	100	29 65
Brandt.....	T. D. W. Peake.....	640	620 00	40 00	40 00	84	12 00
Miamisburg.....	F. S. Davis.....	950	950 00	55 00	55 00	Par.	31 00
Franklin.....	C. Ferguson.....	950	950 00	80 00	80 00	130	28 50
Red Lion & Springboro.....	W. Q. Shannon.....	800	800 00	48 00			18 00
Fairfield.....	N. Prince.....	700	460 00				
New Carlisle.....	M. Kauffman.....	700	562 00	70 00	70 00	Par.	11 75
Middletown.....	G. H. Dart.....	1,000	1,000 00	50 00	50 00	200	22 00
Monroe.....	D. D. Cheney.....	800	800 00	70 00	70 00	Par.	35 00
Northampton.....	G. M. Hammell.....	450	450 00	35 00	35 00	48	18 00
				\$1406 58	\$1205 23	\$1730	\$488 95
SPRINGFIELD DISTRICT.....	S. A. Brewster, P. E.	1,700	1,618 98			295	
Central Church.....	W. A. Robinson.....	1,400	1,400 00	140 00	140 00		140 00
High Street.....	F. G. Mitchell.....	1,400	1,400 00	135 00	135 00	Par.	140 00
Urbana: First Church.....	J. F. Marlay.....	1,200	1,200 00	135 00	135 00	Par.	90 75
Second Church.....	A. N. Spahr.....	1,200	1,200 00	100 00	100 00	Par.	54 00
King's Creek.....	D. L. Hayward.....	675	675 00	55 00	55 00		42 00
Mutual.....	S. W. Carey.....	705	662 02				32 70
Mingo.....	J. S. Pumphrey.....	700	700 00	80 00	80 00	Par.	29 35
New Lewisburg.....	G. H. Kennedy.....	600	600 00	160 00	160 00	\$150	18 00
East Liberty.....	W. P. Jackson.....	600	600 00	60 00	60 00	Par.	31 00
Tremont.....	J. G. Black.....	700	667 00	90 00	82 15	72	38 05
Union.....	C. H. Lawton.....	650	650 00	67 50	67 50	120	51 12
Centerville.....	J. M. Shultz.....	800	800 00	67 00	67 00	Par.	17 00
New Jasper.....	A. W. Tibbits.....	700	700 00	70 00	70 00		35 00
Mechanicsburg.....	F. M. Clemans.....	900	900 00	110 00	110 00	Par.	90 00
Moorefield.....	W. H. Smith.....	626	620 00	50 00	50 00		32 00
Yellow Springs.....				35 00	35 00		1 10
Jamestown.....	J. P. Shultz.....	900	900 00	70 00	70 00	Par.	90 00
Catawba.....	E. C. Smith.....	675	625 00	85 00	67 00		20 00
South Charleston.....	S. B. Smith.....	800	800 00	100 00	100 00	Par.	25 50
Old Town.....	C. H. Kalbfus.....	650	420 00	40 00	40 00		13 50
Cedarville.....	J. L. Gregg.....	600	525 49	50 00	45 00	Par.	16 65
South Solon.....	J. Verity.....						3 00
			\$15,144 51	\$1639 50	\$1608 65	\$342	\$920 73
HILLSBORO DISTRICT.....	James T. Bail, P. E.	1,365					
Hillsboro.....	James Kendall.....	1,500	1,500 00	150 00	150 00	Par.	92 50
Greenfield.....	T. Collett.....	800	800 00	100 00	100 00		32 00
New Lexington.....	R. E. Smith.....	800	700 00	65 00	55 25	120	25 00
Leesburg.....	J. I. Taggart.....	605	605 00	65 00	65 00	120	45 00
Rainsboro.....	J. H. Davis.....	500	366 00	60 00	45 00	Par.	15 00
Sinking Springs.....	G. M. Edgar.....	1,100	160 00	100 00	92 00	50	18 00
"	J. C. Boltin.....						
Wilmington.....	J. P. Porter.....	850	850 00	100 00	100 00	Par.	20 00
Bowersville.....	A. M. Griffith.....	606	651 24	70 00	64 00	100	25 00
Clarksville.....	C. F. Gowdy.....						15 80
Lynchburg.....	J. H. Middleton.....	750	750 00	80 00	80 00	Par.	15 00
Sugar-tree Ridge.....	E. D. Keyes.....	475	439 69	65 00	60 00	40	16 25
Butterville.....	A. Hamilton.....	560	560 00	60 00	60 00	60	15 00
Newtonville.....	H. Witham.....	440	420 00	60 00	60 00	60	20 00

# CONFERENCE STEWARDS' REPORT.

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CHARGES.	PREACHERS.	SALARIES.				House Rent.	Fifth Collec- tion.....
		Esti- mates.	Receipts.	P. F. Es- timates.	P. F. Re- ceipts..		
Marshall.....	D. A. M'Colm.....	\$500	\$458 00				\$12 00
Martinsville.....	A. D. Raleigh.....	700	700 00	\$65 00	\$65 00		25 00
Winchester.....	E. M. Cole.....	800	800 00	100 00	100 00	Par.	24 00
".....	W. E. Kugler.....						
Total.....		\$12,345	\$9,759 93	\$1240 00	\$1106 25	\$550	\$415 55
RIPLEY DISTRICT.....	W. I. Fee, P. E.....	1,050	1,050 00			150	
".....	T. J. Harris.....	1,050	1,050 00	100 00	100 00	Par.	30 50
Felicity.....	W. J. Quarry.....	700	700 00	65 00	65 00	60	10 00
Georgetown.....	E. M'Hugh.....						25 30
Bethel.....	A. D. Maddox.....	600	534 80	60 00	53 50		10 50
New Richmond.....		460	390 76	50 00	35 50		5 00
Decatur.....	W. J. Baker.....	400	400 00	40 00	40 00	Par.	20 00
Manchester.....	D. L. Aultman.....	550	485 00	70 00	63 30		14 75
Moscow.....	W. B. Moler.....	750	750 00	65 00	65 00	120	29 40
Laurel.....	N. W. Darlington.....			60 00	60 00		22 50
Amelia.....	F. Leever.....	525	530 00	50 00	50 00	Par.	8 00
Williamsburg.....	W. M. Boyer.....	600	600 00	60 00	60 00		15 00
Batavia.....	W. H. Sutherland.....	800	686 00	60 00	60 00	100	31 03
Aberdeen.....	S. N. Marsh.....	700	700 00	60 00	60 00	Par.	25 00
Boston.....	W. Mahon.....	550	474 00	60 00	51 45	72	8 00
Bantam.....	J. F. M'Colm.....	400	367 00	40 00	40 00		8 00
Olive Branch.....	J. Vance.....	600	600 00	55 00	55 00	50	31 00
Feesburg.....	H. Stokes.....	650	630 00	60 00	60 00	Par.	5 00
Mt. Orab and Sardinia.....	S. W. Edmiston.....						10 00
Marathon.....	E. P. James.....	500	500 00	50 00	50 00	Par.	10 00
West Union.....	C. J. Wells.....	800	800 00	80 00	80 00		20 00
Total.....		\$11,685	\$10,196 56	\$1085 00	\$548 75	\$552	\$338 93

## RECAPITULATION BY DISTRICTS.

DISTRICTS.	SALARIES.			House Rent.	Fifth Collect'n.
	Estimates.	Receipts.	Deficits.		
East Cincinnati.....	\$24,140 00	\$23,319 33		\$1,705 00	\$1,414 88
West Cincinnati.....	25,476 00	24,040 39		2,031 00	1,094 92
Dayton.....	19,386 00	18,004 61		1,730 00	829 45
Springfield.....	16,475 00	15,144 51			1,010 73
Hillsboro.....	12,345 00	9,759 93		550 00	414 75
Ripley.....	11,685 00	10,196 56		552 00	338 98
Total.....	\$109,507 00	\$100,465 33			\$5,103 71
Charter Fund.....					\$30 00
Board of Conference Trustees Mear's Bequest.....					131 66
" " ".....					416 50
					\$5,681 87

QUESTION 17: What are the claims upon the Conference Fund?

Answer—\$8,285.00.

QUESTION 18: What amount has been received upon the foregoing claims, and how has it been applied?

Answer—From Charges.....\$5,103 71

From Chartered Fund.....30 00

From Mear's Bequest.....131 66

From Cincinnati Conference Trustees.....416 50

Total.....\$5,681 87

\$285 less than last year.

## DISBURSEMENTS.

CLAIMANTS.	TO WHOM DELIVERED.	Estimate of Con. Stewards	Paid.....	CLAIMANTS.	TO WHOM DELIVERED.	Estimate of Con. Stewards	Paid.....
J. C. Maddy.....	J. C. Brooke.....	\$150	\$102 75	Mrs. Owens.....	S. A. Brewster..	\$200	\$137 00
A. Murphy.....	M. Kauffman....	300	205 50	Mrs. Routledge	J. C. Brooke....	300	205 50
W. E. Hines.....	W. M. Boyer....	200	137 00	Mrs. Callender..	W. N. Brokbeck	250	171 25
D. Warnock.....	W. I. Fee.....	100	68 50	Mrs. West.....	R. E. Smith.....	175	119 88
N. M'Donald....	Self .....	250	171 25	Mrs. Brown.....	J. C. Brooke....	175	119 88
John Barton....	W. Herr.....	10	10 00	Mrs. Fowble.....	W. H. Smith....	200	137 00
G. C. Crum.....	W. N. Brodbeck	325	222 62	Mrs. Meredeth..	L. Clark.....	150	102 75
C. Kalbfus.....	Self .....	300	205 50	Mrs. Barton.....	J. F. Marlay....	150	102 75
M. G. Baker.....	Self .....	350	239 75	Mrs. Marlay.....	J. F. Marlay....	50	34 25
Wm. Herr.....	Self .....	300	205 50	Mrs. Beall.....	M. J. Baker.....	75	51 37
R. A. Arthur....	W. Young.....	150	102 75	Mrs. Neff.....	G. H. Dart.....	200	137 00
John W. Keely	D. J. Starr.....	100	68 50	Mrs. White.....	J. C. Brooke....	100	68 50
Mrs. E. H. Field	M. Dustin .....	300	205 50	Mrs. Austin.....	J. I. Taggart....	100	68 50
Mrs. J. C. Deem	J. E. H. Sentman	300	205 50	Mrs. Sharp.....	A. U. Beall .....	200	137 00
Mrs. Fyffe.....	W. H. Sutherl'd	250	171 25	Mrs. Kirk.....	M. Dustin.....	100	68 50
Mrs. Morrow...	C. W. Ketcham	250	171 25	Mrs. Tomlinson	A. N. Spahr....	175	119 88
Mrs. Stroud.....	T. S. Cowden...	200	137 00	Mrs. Armstrong	J. A. M'Colm...	50	34 25
Mrs. Shiun.....	C. H. Payne....	250	171 25	Mrs. Bennett...	T. H. Pearne....	100	68 50
Mrs. Lovell.....	G. Moody.....	250	171 25	Mrs. Jas. Smith	W. Herr.....	175	119 88
Mrs. Newson....	M. Kauffman....	250	171 25	Mrs. N. Cooper	D. J. Starr.....	50	34 25
Mrs. Hall.....	W. J. Quarry...	250	171 25	Mrs. L. P. Miller	A. Bowers.....	100	68 50
Mrs. Curry.....	Self .....	200	137 00	Mrs. Botkin.....	J. C. Brooke....	100	68 50
Mrs. Musgrove	M. P. Zink.....	75	51 37				

## CONFERENCE STEWARDS' RESOLUTIONS.

1. *RESOLVED*, That a sum equivalent to ten per cent of the salaries, exclusive of house rent, paid in each presiding elder's district, shall be the amount expected from the same for Conference claimants; and the district stewards are hereby requested to apportion the same to the respective charges according to the ability of each.

2. *Resolved*, That we hereby pledge ourselves to present this claim to our people as early in the year as practicable, giving it that prominence its merits demand.

3. *Resolved*, That in the passage of character each pastor shall be requested to report the amount of his collection.

4. *Resolved*, That any pastor who may neglect to present this claim to his charge, or shall lightly excuse himself therefrom, will thereby expose himself to just censure.

5. *Resolved*, That estimating committees, in complying with the Discipline, paragraph 352, request claimants to furnish to the estimating committee appointed by the quarterly conference, and to the Board of Stewards of the Annual Conference, a full statement, in writing, annually, on the first day of Conference, of their financial condition, and that no claim be considered without such financial statement.

# GENERAL STATISTICS, NO. I.

GENERAL STATISTICS.

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CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	MEMBERSHIP.				BAPT.		CHURCH PROPERTY.				BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.										
	Probationers....	Full Members...	Local Preachers.	Deaths.....	Children.....	Adults.....	Churches.....	Probable Value.	Personages.....	Probable Value..	For Conference Claimants....	For Missions.			For Wom's For. Miss. Society...	For R'd Church Extension.....	For Tract Soc'y.	For S. S. Union.	For Freedmen's Aid Society.....	For Education..	American Bible Society.....
												Churches..	Sabbath-Schools...	Total.....							
EAST CINCINNATI DISTRICT.																					
Cincinnati : Wesley Chap'l	7	307	3	4	5	3	1	\$40,000	1	\$6,000	\$51 00	\$216 10	\$33 90	\$250 00	\$40 00	\$1 00	\$11 35	\$11 40	\$2 00	\$2 00	\$1 00
Trinity.....	20	390	3	4	2	...	1	100,000	...	...	200 00	364 71	220 43	585 14	190 70	25 00	5 00	5 00	25 00	5 00	.....
Asbury.....	4	218	...	3	4	2	1	15,000	...	...	34 00	106 00	89 17	195 17	50 00	.....	1 50	1 00	10 00	1 50	10 00
Pendleton.....	2	96	1	1	5	4	1	2,000	...	...	5 00	.....	15 00	15 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Pearl Street.....	10	115	...	...	8	1	1	8,000	1	3,000	36 45	31 40	44 40	75 80	.....	.....	1 50	.....	6 50	1 71	3 50
Mt. Auburn.....	6	103	...	1	5	3	1	17,000	...	...	86 75	169 07	151 26	320 33	30 00	50 00	9 25	11 25	69 75	10 15	21 65
Walnut Hills .....	17	343	2	3	3	7	1	48,000	1	10,000	250 00	622 08	222 05	844 13	125 00	63 45	7 06	.....	127 47	7 06	7 06
Grace Church.....	1	63	...	...	...	...	1	5,000	...	...	65 50	42 10	52 90	95 00	.....	4 00	.....	.....	5 00	4 00	.....
M'Kendree.....	5	242	...	7	12	...	1	5,000	...	...	33 70	40 62	23 24	63 86	.....	6 00	.....	.....	7 00	3 24	.....
Columbia.....	2	124	1	1	1	...	1	5,000	...	...	25 00	22 00	8 00	30 00	.....	5 00	1 00	.....	5 00	.....	50
Madisonville.....	4	182	...	4	3	...	1	6,000	1	2,500	85 00	108 99	118 01	227 00	63 20	9 00	2 00	2 00	25 00	2 50	10 28
Mt. Wash'ton & Red Bank.	21	112	1	1	4	2	2	7,000	...	...	42 00	58 00	32 00	90 00	1 00	10 00	1 30	2 00	10 00	1 00	4 00
Camp Dennison.....	2	229	1	5	...	2	5	8,200	...	...	29 10	38 11	13 79	51 90	.....	.....	.....	5 00	7 18	.....	.....
Milford.....	1	123	1	4	4	2	1	5,000	...	...	12 00	15 54	22 46	38 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Centenary.....	2	185	5	2	1	...	5	8,500	...	...	20 00	44 52	11 04	55 56	.....	4 00	2 50	2 00	4 00	.....	.....
Loveland.....	...	75	...	...	...	...	1	4,000	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Maineville.....	7	175	...	2	...	3	2	3,000	...	...	40 00	16 00	10 00	26 00	.....	1 00	50	.....	1 00	.....	1 00
Lebanon.....	10	289	1	2	...	14	1	15,000	1	3,000	29 15	111 85	57 07	168 92	.....	.....	.....	2 00	.....	5 00	.....
Goshen.....	3	164	...	4	6	3	1	1,800	1	800	18 75	17 75	17 00	34 75	2 75	5 25	1 55	2 35	7 55	1 75	2 60
Morrow & South Lebanon..	25	330	2	4	2	1	4	5,900	...	...	16 70	28 15	12 00	40 15	.....	10 00	5 00	5 00	10 00	.....	25
Waynesville.....	8	192	1	7	...	5	1	5,000	1	2,000	10 18	40 25	41 17	81 42	.....	10 00	1 00	4 00	1 00	.....	.....
New Burlington.....	40	340	...	3	1	30	5	5,700	1	700	60 60	74 52	1 76	76 28	.....	9 10	50	1 00	8 50	.....	.....
Xenia : First Church.....	6	420	...	3	3	5	1	25,000	1	6,000	100 85	168 85	131 88	300 73	.....	20 00	10 00	15 00	30 00	.....	30 00
Trinity.....	4	226	2	6	2	7	1	20,000	1	4,000	100 00	169 00	62 80	231 80	.....	15 00	10 00	10 00	12 00	.....	20 25
Miami Circuit.....	1	191	3	5	...	2	4	5,000	...	...	33 00	29 00	3 52	32 52	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
West Chester and Sharon...	4	235	...	2	...	10	3	4,000	...	...	21 00	33 50	6 50	40 00	.....	2 00	.....	.....	3 00	.....	.....
Total.....	212	5,469	27	78	71	76	48	\$374,100	10	\$38,000	\$1,405 73	\$2,568 11	\$1,401 35	\$3,969 46	\$502 65	\$254 80	\$71 01	\$79 00	\$376 95	\$44 91	\$112 09
WEST CINCINNATI DISTRICT.																					
Cincinnati : St. Paul.....	17	500	3	5	6	8	1	180,000	1	30,000	311 12	672 58	568 42	1,241 00	210 00	115 64	8 10	8 10	767 91	5 90	25 00
St. John's.....	6	151	1	1	12	2	1	30,000	...	...	5 50	4 00	10 00	14 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Christie.....	16	370	3	10	11	1	1	30,000	...	...	68 10	372 85	43 52	316 37	12 00	25 00	7 00	5 00	27 50	.....	7 25
Finley.....	8	114	1	3	1	3	1	25,000	...	...	6 50	15 90	4 10	20 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
York Street.....	40	311	1	4	12	13	1	20,000	...	...	75 00	150 00	50 00	200 00	40 00	10 00	5 00	2 00	15 00	2 00	6 00

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	Probationers...	Full Members...	Local Preachers...	Deaths.....	Children.....	Adults.....	Churches...	Probable Value.	Parsonages.....	Probable Value.	For Conference Chairmen.....	For Missions.			For Women's For. Miss. Society..	For Bd Church Extension.....	For Tract Soc'y.	For S. S. Union.	For Freedmen's Aid Society....	For Education..	American Bible Society.....
												Churches..	Sabbath-Schools...	Total.....							
Cincinnati: M'Lean....	12	156	1	1	5	2	1	\$15,700	...	.....	\$8 00	\$30 00	.....	\$30 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	\$11 25	.....	.....
Fairmount.....	4	70	1	...	5	...	1	7,000	.....	.....	10 00	3 24	\$26 76	30 00	\$7 00	.....	.....	.....	5 10	.....	.....
Cumminsville.....	2	87	...	1	1	2	1	6,000	.....	.....	5 00	18 00	5 00	23 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Groesbeck.....	...	115	1	...	1	1	2	1,500	.....	.....	25 00	31 25	.....	31 25	30 00	\$6 00	.....	.....	12 00	.....	.....
W'ton P'ce & C. Wash'n	4	72	1	1	5	3	2	...	...	.....	79 75	112 30	62 00	174 30	.....	33 00	\$11 00	\$23 00	55 00	\$5 35	\$5 00
Hartwell.....	...	45	1	...	1	...	1	6,500	.....	.....	20 00	40 00	.....	40 00	.....	1 00	1 00	10 00	1 00	.....	.....
Carthage.....	2	51	...	1	2	2	1	3,000	.....	.....	1 00	3 75	.....	3 75	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Lockland.....	11	197	2	4	7	2	1	25,000	1	\$5,000	75 00	267 00	33 00	300 00	7 50	19 00	5 00	5 00	15 00	4 00	.....
Port Union.....	9	209	...	...	1	18	4	6,000	1	1,200	59 00	72 85	27 15	100 00	.....	13 00	1 20	3 00	12 00	1 25	3 95
Cheviot.....	1	86	1	2	...	3	2	1,800	.....	.....	25 00	71 00	14 82	85 82	.....	8 75	3 00	4 00	7 00	3 00	1 00
Bethany.....	29	191	1	4	6	1	1	6,250	1	2,000	22 75	46 50	31 50	78 00	1 00	3 00	1 00	1 00	5 00	1 00	1 45
Hamilton.....	5	440	...	6	15	9	1	20,000	1	3,500	37 30	70 75	81 30	152 05	.....	.....	5 00	.....	23 00	5 05	5 00
Oxford.....	39	392	3	1	13	39	1	30,000	1	1,800	64 75	382 50	50 00	432 50	45 00	10 00	1 36	3 00	15 00	3 00	37 00
Venice.....	4	160	...	4	...	10	4	7,000	1	1,000	5 00	25 00	.....	25 00	.....	1 75	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Harrison.....	6	115	1	2	3	...	1	15,000	.....	.....	16 00	12 30	6 35	18 65	.....	4 36	2 00	1 83	3 75	1 15	.....
Eaton.....	15	325	1	4	10	7	1	30,000	1	3,000	71 00	161 47	38 53	200 00	24 00	15 00	2 00	2 00	1,700 00	.....	30 00
Camden.....	4	320	1	4	6	2	4	4,500	1	1,200	12 00	63 38	2 62	66 00	3 90	5 00	2 00	2 00	10 00	.....	2 00
Seven-mile.....	4	161	...	1	1	2	5	7,100	1	1,200	45 00	40 00	.....	40 00	.....	2 25	1 00	1 80	7 60	1 75	.....
New Paris.....	10	154	...	1	...	8	4	3,000	1	800	.....	5 00	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Fair Haven & Sug' Val'y	11	161	1	3	3	10	2	3,500	1	1,000	14 65	38 95	3 67	42 62	75	1 50	.....	.....	5 00	6 00	.....
Walker and Union.....	3	150	...	3	...	12	2	1,500	.....	.....	11 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
North Bend.....	6	188	...	...	...	5	6	2,000	1	680	5 00	5 00	4 00	9 00	.....	50	.....	.....	75	.....	.....
Delhi.....	15	69	...	2	13	18	1	5,000	.....	.....	16 00	25 00	10 00	35 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total.....	273	5,270	25	68	138	183	54	\$522,350	13	\$52,380	\$1,093 92	\$2,761 43	\$1,072 74	\$3,834 17	\$381 15	\$273 75	\$55 66	\$62 73	\$2,707 86	\$40 45	\$123 65
DAYTON DISTRICT.																					
Dayton: Grace Church..	6	585	...	8	3	3	1	100,000	1	6,000	200 00	134 73	309 58	444 31	46 15	145 64	7 32	16 17	33 85	10 34	31 25
Raper.....	20	495	4	7	13	13	1	30,000	1	4,000	175 00	359 64	240 36	600 00	93 00	120 00	.....	.....	80 00	.....	32 93
Se's St. & Dav's'n Ch'p	8	286	2	...	14	6	2	9,000	...	.....	5 25	61 24	7 11	68 35	.....	13 31	.....	.....	8 50	2 63	.....
Troy: Mulberry St.....	21	325	...	9	5	3	1	15,000	1	2,500	70 00	63 00	57 00	120 00	115 00	21 00	2 50	3 00	3 75	5 00	26 13
Tippecanoe & Kessler...	5	215	1	2	1	7	2	3,000	.....	.....	20 00	15 00	10 00	25 00	.....	2 50	1 25	1 25	3 00	5 00	2 00
Addison.....	4	180	...	3	...	...	4	5,300	1	800	25 00	20 00	.....	20 00	.....	10 00	2 00	3 00	5 00	.....	.....
Concord.....	5	180	1	3	...	6	4	1,000	1	800	10 00	22 00	.....	22 00	.....	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Brookville.....	18	180	1	6	4	2	4	8,000	1	650	7 50	22 00	.....	22 00	.....	.....	1 00	2 00	.....	.....	1 00
Gordon.....	3	140	1	2	...	3	3	2,800	...	.....	14 40	16 45	.....	16 45	.....	1 05	.....	.....	1 00	.....	.....
Germantown.....	15	218	1	...	9	37	4	9,500	.....	.....	13 90	44 62	...	44 62	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
W. Elkton & Winchester	24	225	1	4	18	24	4	4,000	.....	.....	5 00	20 00	...	20 00	.....	1 00	2 00	.....	2 00	.....	1 00



Piqua: Green Street.....	5	408	3	7	4	6	1	18,000	1	4,000	51 50	50 25	50 00	100 25	22 57	13 11	6 00	6 00	20 64	5 95	21 15
Grace Church.....	10	246	1	2	2	25	1	8,000	1	.....	10 00	14 00	1 00	15 00	2 00	3 00	1 00	1 00	3 00	2 00	7 34
Lockington.....	5	166	1	2	1	4	3	2,100	1	600	1 00	8 25	.....	8 25	.....	1 00	.....	.....	2 00	.....	.....
Troy Circuit.....	3	198	...	3	...	4	4	9,100	1	1,500	25 00	35 00	15 00	50 00	.....	7 00	1 00	1 00	8 00	5 00	.....
St. Paris & Lena.....	28	340	3	7	3	12	3	13,000	1	400	29 65	41 25	.....	41 25	1 00	6 00	.....	.....	6 00	.....	.....
Brandt.....	6	200	...	2	2	...	4	4,000	1	1,000	12 00	24 00	.....	24 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 00	.....	.....
Miamisburg.....	16	186	2	2	2	...	1	10,000	1	1,000	31 00	57 00	30 00	87 00	6 00	11 00	1 00	1 50	14 00	.....	10 00
Franklin.....	12	247	...	15	2	1	1	15,000	1	.....	28 50	76 20	40 00	116 20	42 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	8 00	.....
Red Lion & Springboro.	...	240	1	3	3	12	2	20,000	1	1,500	18 00	55 50	.....	55 50	20 00	1 00	.....	.....	1 00	.....	.....
Fairfield.....	15	285	2	2	6	5	4	12,000	1	500	...	39 00	.....	39 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00	.....	7 07
New Carlisle.....	8	330	1	2	2	...	2	13,000	1	1,500	11 75	46 17	5 68	51 85	2 00	6 00	2 00	2 00	5 00	.....	7 07
Middletown.....	7	202	1	3	1	...	1	8,500	...	.....	22 00	53 00	31 00	84 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Monroe.....	6	169	...	...	3	...	2	10,000	1	4,000	35 00	51 00	11 00	62 00	3 00	12 00	.....	.....	8 20	.....	.....
Northampton.....	2	254	2	2	...	4	4	4,200	...	.....	18 00	40 00	.....	40 00	.....	3 00	3 00	4 00	3 00	1 05	6 00
Total.....	252	6,500	28	86	98	177	63	\$334,500	16	\$30,750	\$839 45	\$1,369 30	\$807 73	\$2,177 03	\$352 72	\$379 61	\$30 07	\$40 92	\$211 94	\$36 97	\$153 87
SPRINGFIELD DISTRICT.																					
Springfield: Central Ch.	96	666	2	10	30	21	2	26,000	1	7,000	140 00	245 73	129 27	375 00	110 25	48 00	3 00	2 00	75 00	5 00	18 07
High Street.....	20	316	2	4	7	5	1	30,000	1	10,000	140 00	247 00	163 00	410 00	142 60	50 00	5 00	5 00	50 00	15 00	15 18
Urbana: First Church..	10	480	5	9	6	3	1	15,000	1	4,000	90 75	190 25	43 73	233 98	.....	.....	.....	.....	33 25	.....	35 00
Grace Church.....	25	310	1	2	12	7	1	25,000	1	1,500	54 00	141 00	.....	141 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 00	3 50	.....
King's Creek.....	21	247	3	2	2	18	4	5,500	1	2,000	42 00	79 79	10 21	90 00	.....	13 00	3 00	3 16	6 50	3 20	.....
Mutual.....	11	230	...	3	2	4	4	3,100	1	900	32 70	55 80	4 20	60 00	.....	3 06	2 00	2 00	4 07	2 00	.....
Mingo.....	20	166	...	3	...	...	3	4,000	1	1,000	29 35	52 48	5 52	58 00	.....	10 00	1 00	1 00	15 00	.....	.....
North Lewisburg.....	20	339	1	6	6	34	2	2,500	1	1,500	18 00	50 00	10 00	60 00	.....	1 25	.....	1 00	4 00	.....	10 00
East Liberty.....	3	230	3	4	...	2	4	1,500	1	600	31 00	51 00	.....	51 00	.....	5 00	1 00	1 00	10 00	1 00	.....
Tremont.....	41	292	1	2	...	21	4	20,000	...	.....	38 05	77 50	.....	77 50	330 00	7 27	1 24	1 05	6 50	2 00	.....
Union.....	13	250	2	3	1	1	5	6,500	1	1,400	51 12	136 54	17 46	154 00	24 00	23 40	1 00	1 25	15 00	.....	25 00
Centerville.....	14	240	...	3	6	29	3	15,000	1	1,600	17 00	42 60	20 82	62 82	28 00	5 00	.....	1 00	4 00	1 00	.....
New Jasper.....	23	276	...	6	6	18	4	3,600	1	1,000	35 00	74 20	.....	74 20	.....	6 00	3 00	5 00	10 00	2 62	52 00
Mechanicsburg.....	20	336	1	4	3	8	1	8,000	1	3,000	90 00	152 70	77 30	230 00	22 50	.....	.....	.....	35 00	8 14	.....
Moorefield.....	7	165	...	2	7	2	3	4,300	1	1,500	32 00	33 00	7 00	40 00	1 00	2 00	1 00	1 00	8 00	1 00	1 00
Yellow Springs.....	20	150	1	3	...	...	1	4,000	1	2,000	1 10	10 00	.....	10 00	.....	60	65	.....	65	.....	.....
Jamestown.....	4	300	...	1	5	16	1	16,000	1	2,000	90 00	125 90	56 53	182 43	34 62	6 46	3 00	3 00	7 47	5 84	20 84
Catawba.....	20	450	3	4	2	10	6	19,000	1	800	20 00	44 91	.....	44 91	.....	5 00	1 00	.....	6 45	.....	1 00
South Charleston.....	30	305	2	7	7	5	2	8,900	1	4,000	25 50	102 28	8 57	110 85	100 15	19 00	2 05	2 00	20 00	2 68	6 68
Old Town.....	13	155	...	3	1	6	3	5,000	...	.....	13 50	11 75	.....	11 75	.....	4 80	.....	.....	4 80	.....	.....
Cedarville.....	24	299	1	6	...	10	3	3,000	1	1,000	16 65	28 40	17 00	45 40	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00	2 00	7 40
South Solon.....	45	118	...	...	...	39	1	2,000	...	.....	3 00	12 00	.....	12 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total.....	500	6,320	28	87	103	239	59	\$218,000	19	\$46,800	\$910 73	\$1,964 23	\$570 61	\$2,534 84	\$792 52	\$209 74	\$27 94	\$29 46	\$311 69	\$54 98	\$192 17
HILLSBORO DISTRICT.																					
Hillsboro.....	12	595	1	10	2	...	1	20,000	1	4,000	92 50	68 10	120 77	281 87	98 50	30 13	2 00	2 00	50 75	.....	33 26
Greenfield.....	9	323	...	2	3	2	1	8,000	1	3,000	32 00	161 45	14 30	62 75	23 60	12 60	4 00	3 00	11 00	.....	12 00
New Lexington.....	5	275	3	7	1	13	5	8,600	...	.....	25 00	48 25	7 75	76 00	27 80	3 00	2 00	2 00	7 00	1 25	.....
Leesburg.....	25	247	6	7	1	1	5	6,700	...	.....	45 00	80 00	3 25	83 25	.....	3 00	1 00	1 00	3 00	1 00	1 00



CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	MEMBERSHIP.			BAPTS.		CHURCH PROPERTY.				BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.											
	Probationers....	Full Members ..	Local Preachers.	Deaths.....	Children.....	Adults .....	Churches.....	Probable Value..	Parsonages.....	Probable Value..	For Conference Claimants....	For Missions.			For Women's For. Miss. Society..	For B'd Church Extension ....	For Tract Soc'y.	For S. S. Union.	For Freedmen's Aid Society...	For Education..	Amet an Bible Society.....
												Churches..	Sabbath-Schools..	Total.....							
Rainsboro.....	68	277	...	6	3	4	3	\$4,200	1	\$200	\$15 00	\$56 80	\$2 20	\$59 00	\$11 23	\$3 00	\$1 00	\$1 00	\$5 00	\$3 00	\$1 05
Sinking Springs.....	10	622	4	10	...	30	11	8,000	2	500	18 00	60 00	.....	60 00	.....	4 00	.....	.....	1 00	.....	.....
Wilmington.....	5	240	...	2	1	4	1	12,000	1	3,000	20 00	48 00	12 00	60 00	45 00	15 00	1 00	2 00	15 00	.....	7 27
Bowersville.....	7	360	5	4	4	2	6	5,300	...	.....	25 00	55 00	.....	55 00	.....	6 00	1 00	1 00	6 00	2 00	.....
Clarksville.....	3	244	1	4	...	1	3	4,000	1	800	15 80	37 11	.....	37 11	17 88	.....	.....	.....	1 00	.....	1 65
Lynchburg.....	10	640	3	9	10	30	8	15,000	1	600	15 00	56 50	5 00	61 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	50	.....	.....
Sugar-tree Ridge.....	3	215	1	2	2	...	6	6,100	.....	.....	16 25	27 75	3 25	31 00	.....	3 00	.....	.....	6 50	.....	.....
Bntlerville.....	40	343	1	9	2	47	4	5,000	.....	.....	15 00	30 00	81	30 81	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 00	.....	.....
Newtonville.....	47	297	...	4	...	4	5	5,200	.....	.....	20 00	30 00	4 00	34 00	.....	3 00	.....	.....	3 00	.....	.....
Marshall.....	20	340	2	2	...	18	5	3,200	1	300	12 00	60 40	60	61 00	.....	2 00	.....	.....	1 00	.....	.....
Martinsville.....	20	250	2	2	...	20	5	8,000	.....	.....	25 00	26 00	10 00	36 00	.....	2 00	1 00	1 00	2 00	1 00	.....
Winchester.....	8	470	6	2	1	8	8	12,000	1	800	24 00	49 00	16 00	65 00	.....	7 00	.....	.....	10 22	.....	.....
Total.....	292	5,738	35	82	30	184	77	\$131,300	10	\$13,100	\$415 55	\$894 36	\$199 93	\$1,094 29	\$221 01	\$93 13	\$13 00	\$15 00	\$126 00	\$8 25	\$56 23
RIPLEY DISTRICT.																					
Ripley.....	28	361	2	5	12	3	1	35,000	1	2,000	30 50	108 50	.....	108 50	.....	.....	1 50	1 50	7 00	.....	.....
Felicity.....	70	233	4	9	2	16	3	3,500	1	300	10 00	27 00	13 00	40 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 50	.....	.....
Georgetown.....	1	134	...	5	...	7	1	6,000	1	1,000	25 30	30 00	.....	30 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	25 00	.....	.....
Bethel.....	11	450	4	8	2	14	5	5,500	1	600	10 50	58 75	.....	58 75	.....	2 00	.....	.....	7 70	.....	.....
New Richmond.....	8	120	1	...	4	...	1	6,000	1	1,200	5 00	20 00	.....	20 00	.....	2 10	.....	.....	3 00	.....	.....
Decatur.....	7	232	2	5	5	3	4	4,000	1	500	20 00	42 20	2 80	45 00	.....	2 50	.....	.....	2 50	.....	.....
Manchester.....	78	428	2	5	2	40	2	8,450	1	1,000	14 75	33 50	6 50	40 00	50 00	.....	67	50	5 00	.....	.....
Moscow.....	116	415	1	8	4	33	4	7,100	.....	.....	29 40	41 90	19 19	61 09	37 40	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 30	1 00	.....
Laurel.....	28	267	2	9	...	1	4	5,400	1	500	22 50	38 32	3 57	41 89	69 00	5 00	4 00	4 00	10 00	1 00	.....
Amelia.....	39	349	2	4	...	4	...	7,200	1	1,000	8 00	17 30	4 13	21 43	.....	5 85	1 00	1 00	4 80	1 30	1 40
Williamsburg.....	46	320	1	8	6	6	2	4,000	1	600	15 00	30 00	7 00	37 00	.....	2 00	1 00	1 00	3 00	1 00	3 25
Batavia.....	20	391	1	6	4	3	3	6,500	1	1,200	31 03	41 00	10 00	51 00	.....	5 00	.....	.....	3 35	.....	.....
Aberdeen.....	22	381	2	8	6	22	4	9,200	1	1,200	25 00	67 00	33 00	100 00	.....	6 00	1 00	1 00	6 00	1 00	.....
Boston.....	26	278	1	5	...	4	2	9,000	.....	.....	8 00	19 65	2 95	22 66	.....	2 00	50	.....	2 50	.....	.....
Bantam.....	30	256	1	5	1	15	3	2,800	.....	.....	8 00	50 00	3 00	53 00	.....	6 00	2 00	2 00	3 00	2 00	.....
Olive Branch.....	20	316	1	6	7	35	5	7,520	1	600	31 00	66 00	.....	66 00	.....	7 00	2 00	2 00	6 00	.....	.....
Feesburg.....	6	260	3	5	...	3	4	2,500	1	400	5 00	47 30	.....	47 30	.....	.....	.....	50	1 00	.....	.....
Mt. Orab and Sardinia.....	...	245	...	3	...	10	4	5,200	1	800	10 00	15 00	.....	15 00	.....	2 50	.....	.....	1 00	.....	.....
Marathon.....	38	303	3	4	6	...	5	7,500	1	400	10 00	25 00	.....	25 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
West Union.....	20	450	2	4	10	30	9	10,000	1	800	20 00	48 00	2 00	50 00	.....	10 00	1 00	1 00	10 00	.....	.....
Total.....	614	6,189	35	112	71	245	70	\$152,370	17	\$14,100	\$338 98	\$826 42	\$107 14	\$933 56	\$156 40	\$58 95	\$15 67	\$15 50	\$103 65	\$7 30	\$4 65

# RECAPITULATION BY DISTRICTS.

DISTRICTS.	MEMBERSHIP.				BAPT.		CHURCH PROPERTY.				BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.										
	Probationers...	Full Members...	Local Preachers.	Deaths .....	Children .....	Adults .....	Churches.....	Probable Value..	Parsonages.....	Probable Value..	For Conference Claimants...	For Missions.			For Woman's For. Miss. Society...	For B'd Church Extension.....	For Tract Soc'y..	For S. S. Union.	For Freedmen's Aid Society....	For Education...	American Bible Society.....
												Churches..	Sabbath-Schools..	Total.....							
East Cincinnati.....	212	5469	27	78	71	76	48	\$374,100	10	\$38,000	\$1405 73	\$2568 11	\$1401 35	\$3,969 46	\$502 65	\$254 80	\$71 01	\$79 00	\$376 95	\$44 91	\$112 00
West Cincinnati.....	273	5270	25	68	138	183	54	522,350	13	52,380	1093 92	2761 43	1072 74	3,834 17	381 15	273 75	55 66	62 00	2707 86	40 45	123 65
Dayton.....	252	6500	28	86	98	177	63	334,500	16	30,760	839 45	1369 30	807 73	2,177 03	352 72	379 61	30 07	40 92	211 94	36 97	153 87
Springfield.....	500	6320	28	87	103	259	59	218,000	19	46,800	910 73	1964 23	570 61	2,534 84	792 52	209 74	27 94	29 46	311 69	54 98	192 17
Hillsboro.....	292	5738	35	82	30	184	77	131,300	10	13,100	415 55	894 36	199 93	1,094 29	224 01	93 13	13 00	15 00	126 00	8 25	56 23
Ripley.....	614	6189	35	112	71	245	70	152,370	17	14,100	338 98	826 42	107 14	933 56	156 40	58 95	15 67	15 50	103 65	7 30	4 65
Grand Totals.....	2143	35486	178	513	511	1124	371	1,732,620	85	195,130	5,004 36	10383 85	4,159 50	14,543 35	2409 45	1269 98	213 35	242 61	3838 09	192 89	642 66
Totals last year....	2431	35348	180	422	598	1209	372	1,750,170	83	196,650	5,608 38	10793 64	4,445 39	15,239 03	1823 67	1696 73	225 47	229 55	3007 02	1807 55	737 32
Increase.....	.....	138	.....	91	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	585 78	.....	.....	13 06	831 07	.....	.....
Decrease.....	288	.....	2	.....	87	85	1	17,550	.....	1,520	604 02	409 79	285 89	695 68	.....	426 75	12 12	.....	1614 69	.....	94 66

## GENERAL STATISTICS, NO. II.

CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	COLLECTIONS, ETC.					SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.														SPECIAL COL.		
	Support of Bishops...	Building and Improving Churches and Parsonages.....	Indebtedness on Ch's and Parsonages.....	Claims for Ministerial Support.....	Receipts for Ministerial Support.....	No. Sunday-schools.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars of all ages...	Scholars 15 years old and over.....	Scholars under 15 except Infant Class....	Scholars in Inf. Class.	Average Attendance of Teachers & Scholars.	Officers & Teachers Ch. Members or Probaters.	Scholars who are Ch. Members or Probaters.	Conversions.....	Library Books.....	Total Expenses of School this year....	S.S. Classmates taken.	S.S. Advocates taken.	S.S. Journals taken.	Yellow Fever Relief..	Other Collections....
EAST CINCINNATI DISTRICT.																						
Cincinnati: Wesley Chapel.....	\$23 00	\$50	.....	\$1,750	.....	1	29	242	93	111	38	106	29	100	...	864	\$50	1	50	22	.....	\$25 00
Trinity.....	50 00	.....	.....	2,200	2,200	1	34	280	99	106	76	194	33	.....	...	850	350	...	...	21	.....	3,250 00
Asbury.....	12 00	1,385	.....	1,060	1,110	1	27	250	60	135	55	200	24	50	...	400	125	...	165	26	.....	.....
Pendleton.....	2 50	.....	.....	300	300	1	18	205	.....	...	45	...	...	...	5	450	100	50	10	.....	.....	.....
Pearl Street.....	7 50	.....	.....	700	700	1	14	175	110	25	40	100	14	25	10	40	100	...	...	6	.....	.....
Mt. Auburn.....	8 00	.....	.....	1,548	1,548	1	22	247	44	73	130	180	19	10	9	...	105	75	75	20	.....	.....
Walnut Hills.....	75 00	300	\$6,000	2,800	2,800	1	34	234	49	85	100	260	34	50	...	400	400	200	50	...	.....	.....
Grace Church.....	5 00	330	.....	1,480	1,480	1	11	70	.....	...	50	11	...	...	6	...	40	...	50	8	.....	7 00
M'Kendree.....	14 00	300	.....	1,049	1,049	1	19	175	50	95	30	145	18	70	...	...	70	120	120	19	.....	.....
Columb.....	4 00	.....	.....	670	615	1	22	225	.....	...	42	118	19	.....	...	141	132	75	...	...	.....	.....
Madisonville.....	10 00	406	.....	1,348	1,340	1	24	200	62	86	52	163	24	25	1	175	140	100	35	...	109 00	.....
Mt. Washington and Red Bank.....	12 00	85	.....	660	660	2	17	117	50	32	35	100	17	85	25	75	55	10	25	8	.....	5 00
Camp Dennison.....	10 00	215	.....	650	523	5	49	291	102	131	58	160	46	77	...	100	84	20	46	20	.....	.....
Millford.....	6 00	.....	.....	750	750	1	18	100	35	40	25	60	16	25	...	...	20	...	...	10	.....	.....
Centenary.....	7 20	.....	.....	672	.....	5	56	251	156	55	40	221	38	76	4	500	66	...	60	30	.....	.....
Loveland.....	.....	.....	.....	280	280	1	12	100	50	25	25	75	12	30	...	...	...	25	14	...	.....	.....
Mainville.....	5 00	75	.....	400	417	2	35	175	100	40	35	125	25	75	5	140	.....	...	...	...	.....	.....
Lebanon.....	10 00	175	325	1,100	1,100	1	29	330	114	131	85	274	25	55	20	200	125	...	...	30	.....	.....
Goshen.....	12 00	25	.....	610	610	1	15	105	50	27	28	65	14	50	6	200	18	...	...	11	.....	.....
Morrow and South Lebanon.....	5 00	.....	.....	945	855	3	45	320	109	151	60	236	34	120	6	460	98	...	30	30	\$16 00	.....
Waynesville.....	10 00	500	100	800	800	1	23	165	40	80	45	126	19	32	2	125	44	100	18	...	.....	.....
New Burlington.....	10 00	.....	.....	765	765	3	23	122	64	25	33	98	22	58	13	100	16	...	...	10	.....	.....
Xenia: First Church.....	22 00	.....	.....	1,410	1,410	1	33	300	100	140	60	230	33	200	10	500	100	...	...	30	.....	65 00
Trinity.....	22 02	.....	206	1,132	1,232	1	21	144	88	14	42	112	20	30	6	581	73	...	...	17	.....	.....
Miami Circuit.....	11 05	1,100	320	657	596	4	35	229	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	...	17	.....	.....
West Chester and Sharon.....	5 00	2,100	.....	700	687	3	35	200	115	85	.....	220	35	128	18	306	100	...	...	19	.....	.....
Total.....	\$358 25	\$7,016	\$6,945	\$26,436	\$23,827	45	700	5252	1740	1692	1179	3618	581	1371	146	6201	\$2,411	276	1101	484	\$16 00	\$3461 00
WEST CINCINNATI DISTRICT.																						
Cincinnati: St. Paul.....	77 10	.....	.....	3,788	3,788	2	48	419	83	101	145	283	110	62	12	586	323	...	...	30	.....	400 00

St. John's.....	16 00	1,077	6,000	872	737	1 17	175	56	65	54	80	15	12	2	500	72	110	27		
Christie.....	21 00	150		1,880	1,880	1 39	417	104	164	149	257	39	130	...	700	155	...	200	35	500 00
Finley.....		150		650	650	1 21	225	85	50	90	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	15		
York Street.....	20 00	125	2,000	1,390	1,390	1 30	400	150	126	124	330	30	100	10	450	226	...	150	30	
M'Leen.....		1,400	5,709	600	600	1 19	100	20	40	40	...	19	10	4	240	53	...	150	12	
Fairmount.....	5 00			636	636	1 14	180	...	...	80	135	14	13	3	200	75	50	75	12	
Cumminsville.....	3 00			800	700	1 12	87	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
Groesbeck.....	4 25			600	...	2 15	100	...	...	20	75	12	...	...	...	75	...	12		
Winton Place and Camp Washington.....	10 00	150		1,064	924	2 17	150	35	60	55	110	17	25	...	...	50	50	16		
Hartwell.....	5 00		1,900	640	640	1 11	80	25	30	35	52	10	15	...	100	107	...	60	8	
Carthage.....		75		314	320	1 8	77	15	27	35	77	8	13	...	160	35	...	8		
Lockland.....	25 00			1,233	1,233	1 14	135	40	55	40	100	14	35	...	...	52	75	75	15	
Port Union.....	10 00	333	448	765	765	4 46	316	171	86	59	208	38	110	15	625	137	100	230	40	
Cheviot.....	7 50			636	636	1 23	156	62	34	60	112	20	21	5	...	...	75	...		
Bethany.....	10 00	1,200		872	872	1 16	160	100	32	28	125	16	100	10	500	40	...	75	13	
Hamilton.....	16 98	600		1,100	1,100	2 51	539	...	166	120	430	...	7	530	450	...	130	30		
Oxford.....	20 00	450		1,080	1,080	2 28	225	100	90	35	174	27	...	...	...	47	...	16		
Venice.....	3 00	50		...	...	4 48	300	150	100	50	215	40	75	5	...	100	...	40		
Harrison.....	9 60	75		521	466	1 14	80	30	30	20	69	12	15	2	340	20	...	14		
Baton.....	15 00	2,400		1,308	1,308	1 35	260	95	115	50	212	35	130	18	509	128	...	27		
Camden.....	9 50	150	245	750	663	4 45	222	63	111	48	233	31	47	...	...	70	...	30	17	
Seven-mile.....	7 50	225		737	682	4 41	265	120	95	50	200	35	...	5	300	60	...	50	20	
New Paris.....	4 00	900		600	600	2 27	120	60	51	9	95	21	40	10	200	125	...	40	1	
Fair Haven and Sugar Valley.....	4 00	12		525	505	3 32	210	75	95	40	118	32	20	7	210	19	...	125	12	
Walker and Union.....	6 00			465	505	2 22	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
North Bend.....	90	1,000	20	782	421	7 56	325	140	100	85	40	41	65	2	200	130	25	150	48	
Delhi.....	4 09	705	150	627	627	1 16	92	...	...	22	90	15	13	...	113	75	...	9		
Total.....	\$314 33	\$11,077	\$16,472	\$25,235	\$23,728	55 765	5815	1779	1903	1543	3820	651	1061	117	6403	\$2,624	250	1765	507	\$900 00
DAYTON DISTRICT.																				
Dayton: Grace Church.....	35 00			2,000	2,000	2 40	470	229	150	91	301	40	...	...	650	284	100	165	34	1,250 00
Raper Chapel.....	25 00	327	2,300	1,545	1,545	1 57	650	...	...	145	464	57	...	...	550	182	...	63	22 00	
Sears Street and Davisson Chapel.....	5 00			800	800	2 45	300	100	125	75	235	43	84	15	...	150	166	50	13	
Troy: Mulberry Street.....	10 00	709	300	1,300	1,300	1 30	360	150	124	86	152	29	...	...	250	209	...	26		
Tippecanoe and Kessler.....	3 85	200		825	705	2 32	175	68	79	28	170	27	60	5	75	115	100	100	7	
Addison.....	10 00	3,875		525	362	4 47	290	172	79	39	212	47	128	...	...	31	46	50	16	
Concord.....	3 00	45		600	...	4 36	249	100	120	20	210	45	42	5	250	25	...	70	3	
Brookville.....	5 50	583	800	550	500	4 64	400	236	164	...	330	60	150	...	...	100	...	175	6	
Gordon.....	4 00			400	370	2 17	205	...	...	...	175	15	...	3	200	94	...	...		
Germantown.....	8 40	250		425	442	3 36	235	140	45	50	195	31	105	63	...	...	...	190	15	
West Elkton and Winchester.....	2 00	25	40	496	425	3 35	200	95	70	35	150	30	100	78	...	34	...	...		
Piqua: Green Street.....	10 00	80	120	1,345	1,345	1 40	417	125	217	75	315	40	100	4	650	357	...	70	32	
Grace Church.....	8 00	1,022	750	600	600	1 21	200	...	...	30	173	21	100	25	146	75	...	16		
Lockington.....	1 00			500	480	1 19	150	90	42	18	70	16	30	...	...	...	...	...		
Troy Circuit.....	10 00			695	695	4 48	298	150	100	48	200	48	50	5	300	60	...	75	28	
St. Paris and Lena.....	9 00		2,500	700	700	3 47	199	84	92	23	153	41	24	15	140	44	14	14	25	
Brandt.....	7 00	1,000		680	660	5 54	480	205	200	75	375	31	152	8	300	95	50	180	25	

CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	COLLECTIONS, ETC.					SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.															SPECIAL COL.	
	Support of Bishops..	Building and Improv- ing Churches and Parsonages.....	Indebtedness on Ch's and Parsonages....	Claims for Ministerial Support.....	Receipts for Ministe- rial Support.....	No. of Sunday-schools.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars of all ages..	Scholars 15 years old and over.....	Scholars under 15 ex- cept Infant Class...	Scholars in Inf. Class.	Average Attendance of Teachers & Scholars.	Officers & Teachers Ch. Mems or Probats.	Scholars who are Ch. Members or Probats.	Conversions .....	Library Books.....	Total Expenses of School this year...	S.S. Classmates taken.	S.S. Advocates taken.	S. S. Journals taken.	Yellow Fever Relief..	Other Collections.....
Miamisburg.....	\$10 00	\$2,500	.....	\$1,005	\$1,005	1	23	207	70	84	53	145	23	67	...	.....	\$116	150	21	.....	.....	
Franklin.....	14 24	.....	\$700	950	950	1	18	200	.....	.....	50	150	17	.....	.....	.....	40	20	20	.....	.....	
Red Lion and Springboro.....	8 00	60	.....	833	833	2	32	200	100	40	60	150	32	115	20	.....	50	100	.....	.....	.....	
Fairfield.....	10 00	150	1,250	700	450	4	54	366	203	82	81	266	42	120	17	300	81	.....	25	.....	.....	
New Carlisle.....	4 00	2,333	942	770	588	2	31	304	175	46	83	173	31	107	3	200	71	50	26	.....	.....	
Middletown.....	10 00	.....	.....	1,000	1,000	1	20	115	40	50	25	110	20	20	3	200	75	50	25	.....	.....	
Monroe.....	10 00	.....	.....	870	870	1	15	94	51	20	23	50	15	60	12	.....	64	40	9	.....	.....	
Northampton.....	15 00	.....	.....	548	548	4	46	237	139	98	.....	184	40	67	1	50	28	24	...	.....	.....	
Total.....	\$237 99	\$13,150	\$9,702	\$19,629	\$19,073	59	907	6992	2702	2047	1213	5108	841	1681	282	4411	\$2,396	450	1582	435	.....	\$1272 00
SPRINGFIELD DISTRICT.																						
Springfield: Central Church .....	24 00	2,177	.....	1,540	1,540	2	47	600	200	300	100	.....	47	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
High Street.....	24 00	300	2,000	1,535	1,535	1	29	275	135	100	40	217	28	125	10	500	126	.....	50	.....	144 00	
Urbana: First Church.....	10 50	2,400	900	1,350	1,350	1	40	250	150	50	50	200	38	100	.....	.....	.....	150	30	.....	.....	
Grace Church.....	20 00	11,000	.....	1,300	1,300	1	26	250	.....	.....	60	184	.....	.....	...	319	301	.....	28	.....	.....	
King's Creek.....	10 00	15	.....	730	730	4	40	285	139	93	53	209	37	115	19	60	39	32	12	.....	1 45	
Mutual.....	7 00	.....	.....	705	.....	4	51	237	126	44	39	183	42	56	3	242	28	12	22	.....	.....	
Mingo.....	14 00	400	.....	780	780	3	36	156	82	33	41	140	28	83	.....	.....	68	24	35	20	.....	
North Lewisburg.....	4 00	120	.....	600	600	2	38	260	70	130	60	.....	38	57	15	250	40	50	13	.....	.....	
East Liberty.....	11 00	200	.....	600	.....	4	46	310	194	64	52	200	44	100	.....	.....	64	20	70	20	.....	
Tremont.....	14 00	.....	.....	700	667	3	40	208	125	40	43	138	34	137	15	.....	57	.....	18	.....	.....	
Union.....	12 00	280	470	777	717	5	52	276	168	61	44	151	50	96	...	160	50	...	35	8	.....	
Centerville.....	12 00	44	.....	867	867	3	40	200	130	30	40	160	35	130	40	.....	20	100	18	.....	.....	
New Jasper.....	12 00	.....	.....	770	770	4	33	280	151	100	29	190	30	86	45	300	75	55	12	\$45 00	.....	
Mechanicsburg.....	.....	1,100	.....	1,010	1,010	1	30	283	128	100	55	170	30	175	1	215	156	.....	30	.....	8 14	
Moorefield.....	10 00	.....	.....	670	670	3	22	110	65	30	15	90	22	.....	.....	.....	.....	60	24	.....	.....	
Yellow Springs.....	.....	.....	.....	735	.....	1	10	80	25	35	20	70	10	30	14	.....	15	.....	7	.....	.....	
Jamestown.....	12 00	861	238	970	970	1	27	213	116	59	38	139	27	160	20	.....	25	60	60	20	80 00	
Catawba.....	5 00	350	800	760	692	6	60	350	.....	.....	40	.....	.....	.....	10	.....	200	125	30	.....	.....	
South Charleston.....	17 50	85	.....	917	917	2	30	210	105	65	40	100	25	50	10	200	90	100	20	.....	.....	
Old Town.....	5 00	63	.....	690	420	2	21	110	50	40	20	78	19	20	...	500	22	25	14	.....	.....	
Cedarville.....	.....	75	.....	650	570	4	43	270	135	81	54	180	40	99	6	70	34	66	23	.....	2 00	
South Solon.....	.....	1,700	.....	.....	.....	2	12	140	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Total.....	\$223 90	\$21,170	\$14,408	\$18,506	\$16,105	59	773	6350	2294	1455	933	2709	624	819	208	2806	\$1,410	129	975	419	\$45 00	\$235 59

HILLSBORO DISTRICT.																					
Hillsboro.....	20 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	38	300	178	70	52	206	38	.....	.....	110	.....	.....	26	.....	.....
Greenfield.....	8 00	150	.....	900	900	1	23	190	60	70	60	140	22	70	.....	150	97	25	50	20	.....
New Lexington.....	5 00	.....	500	865	756	4	53	280	132	88	60	240	51	106	12	400	51	20	60	34	.....
Leesburg.....	8 00	300	600	800	800	4	41	231	116	90	25	131	32	44	6	50	34	...	54	25	.....
Rainsboro.....	9 00	23	.....	560	411	3	48	267	139	82	46	194	39	130	27	150	30	...	35	28	12 34
Sinking Springs.....	.....	.....	100	1,100	1,060	11	97	538	307	124	107	421	84	265	24	.....	36	...	68	31	.....
Wilmington.....	13 00	250	300	950	950	1	25	200	50	100	50	150	24	40	.....	260	50	.....	18	.....	.....
Bowersville.....	6 00	20	.....	790	711	5	72	366	177	155	34	325	64	109	5	190	29	...	24	18	.....
Clarksville.....	9 00	100	.....	600	585	3	34	177	69	71	37	155	29	3	3	211	.....	...	...	...	.....
Lynchburg.....	2 00	300	500	820	820	9	125	375	200	75	100	275	100	250	70	450	50	15	30	20	.....
Sugar-tree Ridge.....	7 00	116	31	590	546	4	40	132	76	56	.....	90	38	78	.....	150	13	...	9	.....	.....
Butlerville.....	2 00	300	.....	620	620	5	62	434	197	165	72	275	58	135	40	200	75	20	70	12	.....
Newtonville.....	8 00	.....	.....	440	420	4	43	260	124	90	46	190	40	125	8	50	40	...	20	.....	.....
Marshall.....	2 00	80	.....	500	458	5	44	300	180	95	25	200	41	150	80	.....	30	12	25	28	.....
Martinsville.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Winchester.....	13 00	400	.....	900	.....	6	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total.....	\$112 00	\$1,639	\$2,431	\$11,260	\$10,862	71	775	4250	2005	1331	714	2992	663	1505	275	2261	\$675	92	425	280	\$12 34
RIPLEY DISTRICT.																					
Ripley.....	10 00	4,800	.....	1,200	1,200	1	26	286	90	131	65	219	25	.....	23	350	160	...	.....	30	.....
Wellcity.....	10 00	214	.....	765	765	4	57	480	230	140	110	246	52	100	30	500	45	...	67	24	.....
Georgetown.....	10 00	100	80	.....	.....	2	20	115	65	40	20	90	25	15	.....	.....	.....	...	...	...	.....
Bethel.....	5 00	.....	.....	660	588	5	60	406	146	131	129	310	55	165	25	.....	101	...	.....	40	.....
New Richmond.....	3 00	40	.....	460	390	1	14	150	70	30	50	112	14	40	1	75	60	...	150	15	.....
Decatur.....	4 00	150	200	440	440	3	36	200	125	50	25	160	32	100	8	200	45	25	.....	16	.....
Manchester.....	8 83	100	.....	620	.....	2	36	349	148	129	72	242	34	164	18	150	92	100	100	23	.....
Moscow.....	2 40	.....	.....	815	815	4	62	491	213	181	92	337	59	177	55	430	91	...	59	39	

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## RECAPITULATION BY DISTRICTS.

DISTRICTS.	COLLECTIONS, ETC.						SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.													SPECIAL COL.		
	Support of Bishops...	Building and Improving Churches and Parsonages.....	Indebtedness on Ch's and Parsonages....	Claims for Ministerial Support.....	Receipts for Ministerial Support.....	No. of Sunday-schools.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars of all ages..	Scholars 15 years old and over.....	Scholars under 15 except Infant Class...	Scholars in Inf. Class.	Average Attendance of Teachers & Scholars.	Officers & Teachers Ch. Men's or Probaters.	Scholars who are Ch. Men's or Probaters.	Conversions.....	Library Books.....	Total Expenses of Schools this year ..	S.S. Classmates taken.	S.S. Advocates taken.	S. S. Journals taken..	Yellow Fever Relief..	Other Collections.....
East Cincinnati.....	\$358 25	\$7,046	\$6,945	\$26,436	\$23,827	45	700	5252	1740	1692	1179	3618	581	1371	146	6201	\$2,411	276	1101	484	\$16 00	\$3,461 00
West Cincinnati.....	314 33	11,077	16,472	25,235	23,728	55	765	5815	1779	1903	1543	3820	651	1061	117	6105	2,624	250	1765	507	.....	900 00
Dayton.....	237 99	13,150	9,702	19,629	19,073	59	907	6992	2702	2047	1213	5108	841	1681	282	4411	2,396	450	1582	435	.....	1,272 00
Springfield.....	223 90	21,170	4,408	18,596	16,105	59	773	5350	2294	1455	933	2799	624	819	208	2806	1,410	129	975	419	45 00	235 59
Hillsboro.....	117 04	1,639	2,431	11,260	10,862	71	775	4250	2005	1331	714	2992	663	1505	275	2261	675	92	425	280	12 34	.....
Ripley.....	137 08	8,284	2,240	12,359	10,495	68	858	6075	2227	1604	1095	4401	691	1756	343	4605	1,307	199	1302	454	.....	.....
Grand Total.....	\$1,388 59	\$62,366	\$42,198	\$113,515	\$104,090	357	4778	33734	12747	10032	6677	22738	4051	8193	1371	26687	\$10,823	1396	7150	2579	\$73 34	\$5,868 59
Total Last Year.....	1,371 33	53,900	48,603	124,380	116,642	355	4741	34042	12817	9555	6687	22463	3943	9228	1692	31620	12,613	1225	7423	2558	304 50	3,843 58
Increase.....	\$17 26	\$8,466	.....	.....	.....	2	37	.....	.....	477	.....	275	108	.....	.....	.....	.....	171	.....	21	.....	\$2,025 01
Decrease.....	.....	.....	\$6,405	\$10,865	\$12,552	.....	.....	308	70	.....	10	.....	.....	1035	321	4933	\$1,790	.....	273	.....	\$231 16	.....



## REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON STATISTICS.

THE statistical reports from all the charges in the Conference have been handed in, and, with a few exceptions, in good time. As great carelessness is manifested in a large number of them, we call attention to the following points:

1. The number of schools, the number of officers and teachers, and the number of scholars of all ages are reported twice, and care should be taken to have both reports agree.

2. The number of scholars fifteen years and over, the number under fifteen years except the infant class, and the number in the infant class should be equal to the total number given.

3. The amount of collections given in the statistics should correspond with the report of the treasurers of the different societies.

The Committee ask the adoption of the resolutions of last year; namely:

1. *Resolved*, That the Secretary be requested to send the statistical blanks and collection envelopes to the presiding elders for their preachers in charge three months before the Conference session.

2. *Resolved*, That we consider it the imperative duty of all the preachers in charge to be ready to hand in their reports on the first day of the Conference session.

3. *Resolved*, That a special session of conference be held on the afternoon of the first day for the purpose of presenting statistical reports and collections.

4. *Resolved*, That the Statistical Secretaries shall not be required to receive and enter statistics after the second day of the session.

## REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

### Ohio Wesleyan University.

THIS, the largest literary institution in our connection, is so well known by its history of nearly forty years, that we have merely to state its present standing as to finances and Faculty, as they immediately concern this Conference, and to respectfully remind our ministers and members that, prolific as the University has been of good fruit, the maximum, with present facilities, can not be hoped for till the endowment is increased at least fourfold.

From the Auditor's report of June 15, 1879, we have the following statement:

I. ASSETS:	
Ground and buildings.....	\$200,000 00
Library, cabinets, and apparatus.....	31,000 00
Permanent fund.....	251,056 89
General fund.....	2,550 00
Library fund.....	500 00
Interest due on loans, tuition, etc.....	5,315 84
Total.....	\$490,422 73

Total assets.....	\$490,422 73
II. INDEBTEDNESS.....	5,092 32
III. EXCESS OF ASSETS.....	\$485,330 41

These figures indicate a gratifying decrease in the indebtedness of \$4,173.01 since the report of last year. The Visiting Committee make honorable mention of the improved condition of the grounds and buildings, of the merit of the examinations, and the high grade of the more public commencement exercises.

The whole number in attendance the past collegiate year was: Gentlemen, 433; ladies, 182; total, 615. The sub-freshmen examination, extending through three days, was most thorough, so that only the well-qualified might pass into the college classes. The largest number of candidates for the Freshman class ever applying for admission presented themselves at this examination.

The union of the two institutions in one is most happily disappointing even its most earnest advocates, in that it gives opportunity for more complete supervision of the pupils by one Faculty, and thus promotes a firmer discipline than heretofore. The influence of the association of the sexes in the recitation-rooms is making the young ladies more womanly and the gentlemen more manly. All doubts as to the wisdom of the union have faded away before the facts. Young ladies now have access to the Library and Museum, and graduate from the University. They have an elegant home at Monnett Hall, under the supervision of a dean, who carefully guards every interest in their behalf.

The Normal Department has been placed in special charge of one of the Faculty, and extraordinary facilities are furnished those who expect to devote themselves to teaching. Mrs. Prof. Wm. G. Williams, *née* Miss Delia Lathrop, late of the Normal School of Cincinnati, lectures statedly in this department. She will hereafter have a prominent position in the teaching force of the University, and the young ladies will have the benefit of her instruction.

All the expenses of the University are at the minimum.

1. *Resolved*, That, except where otherwise specified, the moneys raised for education in this Conference shall be paid into the treasury of the Ohio Wesleyan University, to be used in aiding deserving and needy students of the institution from within the bounds of this Conference, preparing for the ministry in our Church.

2. *Resolved*, That John R. Wright, Esq., be reappointed Trustee for the term of five years from June 22, 1880, to fill the vacancy that will then exist by the expiration of his present term of office.

3. *Resolved*, That we recommend the reappointment of Rev. Charles H. Payne, D. D., LL. D., to the Presidency, and of Rev. L. D. McCabe, D. D., LL. D., to the chair of Philosophy in the University.

4. *Resolved*, That Rev. Sylvester Weeks, A. M., and Rev. John F. Marlay, D. D., be appointed visitors for the ensuing year.

5. *Resolved*, That we will bear the University upon our prayers; that we will advise the young men and women of our charges to attend it; that we will, as far as practicable, give of our means to endow it, and that we will seek to induce persons of wealth to add to its resources.

**Cincinnati Wesleyan College.**

This school for the higher education of women has been doing its work for thirty-seven years, and from these college walls pupils have gone forth into all the honorable and useful walks of life. Under the present efficient presidency of Dr. Moore it sustains its well-earned reputation. There are three full collegiate courses: Classical, Scientific, and English, besides the College of Music and the Academy of Arts. The Normal Department, a College of Accounts and Business, a Sunday-school Institute, and an Academic Department meet the varied needs of the pupils.

The rooms are well furnished, the table is abundantly supplied, and great attention is paid to social culture. Twenty-four young ladies were graduated at the last commencement. The outlook of the institution in its collegiate work is encouraging. The number of applications for admission is fully up to the corresponding date of last year. We take pleasure in recommending the reappointment of Rev. David H. Moore, D. D., to the Presidency of the College; and the presiding elders of the East and West Cincinnati Districts, and the pastors of Christie and Wesley Chapels, St. Paul, and Oxford as a Visiting Committee for the ensuing year.

**Xenia College.**

The management of this school is in the hands of Prof. Wm. Smith, and is well conducted, but not so well sustained as formerly. The Summer Normal School is a marked feature of the College.

We recommend as Visitors the presiding elders of the Springfield and Dayton Districts and the pastors of the Churches in Xenia; and also that the Secretary of this Conference be and is hereby authorized to cast the vote of the Cincinnati Conference in the election of Trustees of Xenia College, and that he be requested as Conference Trustee to procure the necessary certificates of the stock belonging to the Conference, and that he be instructed to vote for Revs. D. J. Starr and L. Clark for two of the places; and that, in compliance with requests made to the Committee, we recommend the appointment of Rev. Wm. Herr as Financial Agent of Xenia College for Greene County.

**Drew Theological Seminary.**

This seminary, founded in 1866, has graduated 174 students, who are preaching in various conferences and mission fields. About \$80,000 have been added to the permanent fund during the year, and we are happy in writing the information that the institution is free from debt. This work, the more advanced education of the ministry, is so intimately connected with the spirit of Methodism, which was born in our University, and is so related to success that we cordially commend Drew Theological Seminary to the patronage and prayers of our preachers and pupils and people. We suggest the appointment of Rev. A. Lowrey, D. D., as Visitor from this Conference.

**Garrett Biblical Institute.**

The financial difficulty of this Institute still remains, but not in as appalling magnitude as last year. The appointment of Rev. Wm. X.

Ninde, D. D., to the Presidency gives satisfaction, and promises well for the future. We commend the Institute to our preachers and people, and nominate Rev. Granville Moody, D. D., as our Visitor.

#### Springfield College and High School.

In view of the representations made to your Committee by our Board of Trustees, we deem it advisable to take no action at present other than to recommend the election of the following as constituting the Board of Trustees for the ensuing year: Rev. W. A. Robinson, Rev. S. A. Brewster, Rev. Wm. Young, J. K. Mower, Wm. C. Frye, H. G. Hamlin, C. C. Taylor, E. V. Van Norman, W. J. White, J. W. Coles, J. M. Deardorff, C. H. Schaeffer, J. Will Burns, J. L. Berry, E. C. Middleton, H. S. Showers, J. A. Gard, and J. S. Showalter.

#### Hillsboro Female College.

This is one of the oldest institutions in our Conference, and has done noble work in its sphere. The number of pupils has more than doubled the past year, and the promise is good for the future. We recommend the reappointment of Rev. John F. Loyd, A. M., to the Presidency, Rev. H. B. Ridgaway, D. D., and W. L. Hypes, D. D., as Visitors, and that Rev. James Kendall be elected to fill the vacancy in the Board of Trustees occasioned by the death of Rev. A. Meharry, D. D.; and, further, your Committee recommend the reappointment of the following Trustees: Messrs. Asa Haynes, John L. West, Jos. M. Hustand, Hardin Rhodes, Thomas H. Pearne, D. D., J. T. Bail, and M. Dustin, D. D.

#### Conference Educational Society.

President, L. D. McCabe; Vice-Presidents, C. W. Ketcham and D. H. Moore; Secretary, J. F. Marlay; Treasurer, Wm. Mahon; Managers, R. S. Rust, M. Dustin, S. A. Brewster, P. P. Mast, E. Parrott, and J. R. Wright.

C. H. PAYNE, *Chairman.*

SYLVESTER WEEKS, *Secretary.*

### REPORT OF TREASURER OF EDUCATIONAL FUND.

EAST CINCINNATI DISTRICT.			
Cincinnati: Wesley Chapel, S.		Goshen, H. C. Middleton.....	\$1 75
Weeks.....	\$2 00	Lebanon, S. D. Clayton.....	5 00
East Pearl St., W. H. Miesse.....	1 71	Total .....	\$44 91
Asbury, J. H. Lease.....	1 50	Last year.....	28 00
M'Kendree, A. U. Beall.....	3 24	Increase.....	\$16 91
Trinity, J. N. Irvin.....	5 00		
Mount Auburn, J. Pearson... 10 15		WEST CINCINNATI DISTRICT.	
Walnut Hills.....	7 06	Cincinnati: St. Paul, H. B.	
Avondale, B. F. Dimmick....	4 00	Ridgaway.....	\$5 90
Madisonville, A. Bowers.....	2 50	York Street, D. J. Starr.....	2 00
Mt. Washington, J. A. Story....	1 00		

Winton Place, C. W. Rishell....	\$5 35
Bethany, J. S. Whitney.....	1 00
Seven-mile, R. K. Deem.....	1 75
Harrison, Geo. T. Weaver.....	1 15
Oxford, J. Murray.....	3 00
Hartwell, J. F. Conrey.....	1 00
Port Union, E. Burdsall.....	1 25
Lockland, D. C. Vance.....	4 00
Cheviot, C. C. Jones.....	3 00
Fair Haven and Sugar Valley, J. J. Hill.....	6 00
Hamilton, G. Moody.....	5 05
Total.....	\$40 45
Last year.....	43 42
Decrease.....	\$2 97

## DAYTON DISTRICT.

Dayton: Grace Church, A. B. Leonard.....	\$10 34
Davisson, and Sears St., J. W. Gaddis.....	2 63
Piqua: Green St., J. W. Cassatt.....	5 95
Grace, S. O. Royal.....	2 00
Troy, M. A. Richards.....	5 00
Troy Circuit, W. H. Black.....	5 00
Northampton, G. M. Hammell..	1 05
Total.....	\$31 97
Last year.....	6 53
Increase.....	\$25 44

## SPRINGFIELD DISTRICT.

Springfield: Central Church, W. A. Robinson.....	\$5 00
High Street, F. G. Mitchell..	15 00
Cedarville, J. L. Gregg.....	2 00
Jamestown, J. P. Shultz.....	5 84
Mechanicsburg, F. M. Clemans..	8 14
Moorefield, W. H. Smith.....	1 00
Centerville, J. M'K. Shultz.....	1 00
New Jasper, A. W. Tibbits.....	2 62
Tremont, J. G. Black.....	2 00
East Liberty, W. P. Jackson....	1 00

King's Creek, D. L. Hayward...	\$3 20
South Charleston, S. B. Smith....	2 68
Mutual, S. W. Carey.....	2 00
Urbana: Grace, S. N. Spahr.....	3 50
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Total .....	\$54 98
Last year.....	53 56
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Increase.....	\$1 42

## HILLSBORO DISTRICT.

Bowersville, A. M. Griffith.....	\$2 00
Rainsboro, J. H. Davis.....	3 00
Leesburg, J. I. Taggart.....	1 00
New Lexington, R. E. Smith....	1 25
Martinsville, A. D. Raleigh.....	1 00
Total.....	\$8 25
Last year.....	9 00
Decrease.....	\$0 75

## RIPLEY DISTRICT.

Bantam, J. F. M'Colm.....	\$2 00
Aberdeen, S. N. Marsh.....	1 00
Williamsburg, W. M. Boyer....	1 00
Moscow, W. B. Moler.....	1 00
Amelia, F. Leever.....	1 30
Laurel, N. W. Darlington.....	1 00
Total.....	\$7 30
Last year.....	15 04
Decrease.....	\$7 74

## RECAPITULATION BY DISTRICTS.

East Cincinnati District.....	\$44 91
West Cincinnati District.....	40 45
Dayton District.....	31 97
Springfield District.....	54 98
Hillsboro District.....	8 25
Ripley District.....	7 30
Total.....	\$187 86
Last year.....	155 55
Increase.....	\$32 31

In addition to the above the following special collections have been reported:

For Xenia College by J. W. Mason.....\$5 00

W. I. FEE, *Treasurer.*

### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY-SCHOOL CAUSE.

WITH an aggregate of one million five hundred and eleven thousand three hundred and eighty-nine scholars of all ages, and two hundred and twelve thousand four hundred and forty-two officers and teachers in our own connection, your committee are aware of the magnitude of the Sunday-school cause.

With so many facilities for study, with wealth, position, and intelligence, it is legitimate to inquire whether or not our Sunday-school is accomplishing all we have a right to expect it to accomplish? We think it is not.

One cause of this failure is the many unconverted persons found in its official ranks. For in the Sunday-schools of this Conference alone we find not less than nine hundred unconverted officers and teachers. Surely, this is to be deprecated. How can these teach, they having never learned the way of salvation? If soul-saving is not the chief aim and end of all Sunday-school effort we certainly misapprehend its purpose.

Now, one of the results of this large unconverted working element in our Sunday-school is, that out of an aggregate of more than thirty-four thousand attendants of the Sunday-schools of our own Conference there are but nine thousand two hundred and twenty-eight persons who are members of the Church, and but one thousand six hundred and ninety-two reported conversions.

Again, we deplore the annual loss of so many young people to our Sunday-schools. Can not some means be devised to prevent this large, unnecessary, and ruinous depletion?

We have also considered the relation of the pastor to the Sunday-school. He is not one of the teachers, and should therefore seldom, if ever, teach a class. He is not the superintendent, and therefore should very rarely take charge of the Sunday-school. He is the pastor of the school; it is *his* school—one part of *his* Church, which he has pledged himself faithfully to oversee; therefore, he is largely responsible for the kind of teaching there done, for the sort of government found there, indeed for whatever takes place there. He is pre-eminently the superior officer of the Sunday-school department. He is not merely to take such a part in the exercises of the school as the superintendent invites him to take. Being pastor of the entire Church it is his business to work for all its interests, and to advise as to the best methods.

We would recommend that some decided action be taken in reference to the catechism in the Sunday-school, or it will be lost to both Church and school; and who can estimate the result attending such loss? There is much in the very *form* of sound doctrine.

We look with much favor upon our Sunday-school helps and literature, and would urge each pastor to employ his energy and influence in their diffusion, and to call earnestly each year upon his people to give such material aid to these enterprises as shall secure their complete success. However, as to helps we would advise that they be used in the study of



the Word, in the preparation of the lesson, but that the Bible be employed in the Sunday-school more than it is when in session.

We would also recommend to pastors and superintendents the necessity of holding monthly Sunday-school prayer-meetings, thus familiarizing the children with our methods, and teaching them to expect a youthful Christian experience and how to express it; also their dependence upon God in the performance of every religious duty.

T. DEWITT PEAKE, *Chairman.* A. D. RALEIGH.  
W. H. MIESSE, *Secretary.* S. W. CAREY.  
A. D. MADDOX.

### REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE SUNDAY-SCHOOL UNION.

#### EAST CINCINNATI DISTRICT.

Wesley, S. Weeks.....	\$11 40
Trinity, J. N. Irvin.....	5 00
Asbury, J. H. Lease.....	1 00
Mt. Auburn, J. Pearson.....	11 25
Madisonville, A. Bowers.....	2 00
Mt. Washington, J. A. Story....	2 00
Camp Dennison, W. N. Williams.....	5 00
Centenary, F. Hypes.....	2 00
Lebanon, S. D. Clayton.....	2 00
Goshen, H. C. Middleton.....	2 35
Waynesville, L. F. Van Cleave...	4 00
Morrow, G. W. Dubois.....	5 00
New Burlington, D. Whitmer...	1 00
Xenia: First Church, Lucien Clark.....	15 00
Trinity, W. N. Brodbeck.....	10 00
	<b>\$79 00</b>

#### WEST CINCINNATI DISTRICT.

St. Paul, H. B. Ridgeway.....	\$8 10
Christie, C. W. Ketcham.....	5 00
York Street, D. J. Starr.....	2 00
Winton Place and Camp Washington, C. W. Rishell.....	23 00
Hartwell, J. F. Conrey.....	1 00
Lockland, D. C. Vance.....	5 00
Port Union, E. Burdsall.....	3 00
Cheviot, C. C. Jones.....	4 00
Bethany, J. S. Whitney.....	1 00
Oxford, J. Murray.....	3 00
Harrison, G. T. Weaver.....	1 83
Eaton, T. S. Cowden.....	2 00
Camden, J. E. H. Sentman.....	2 00
Seven-mile, R. K. Deem.....	1 80

#### DAYTON DISTRICT.

Dayton, Grace, A. B. Leonard..	\$16 17
Troy, M. A. Richards.....	3 00

Tippecanoe, J. W. Mason.....	\$1 25
Addison, M. P. Zink.....	3 00
Brookville, J. A. Easton.....	2 00
Piqua: Green Street, J. W. Cassatt.....	6 00
Grace Street, S. O. Royal.....	1 00
Troy Circuit, W. H. Black.....	1 00
Miamisburg, F. S. Davis.....	1 50
New Carlisle, M. Kauffman.....	2 00
Northampton, G. M. Hammell..	4 00

#### SPRINGFIELD DISTRICT.

Springfield: Central, W. A. Robinson.....	\$2 00
High Street, F. G. Mitchell.....	5 00
King's Creek, D. L. Hayward....	3 16
Mutual, S. W. Carey.....	2 00
South Charleston, S. B. Smith....	2 00
Mingo and Tabor, J. S. Pumphrey.....	1 00
North Lewisburg, G. H. Kennedy.....	1 00
East Liberty, W. P. Jackson.....	1 00
Tremont, J. G. Black.....	1 25
Union, C. H. Lawton.....	1 25
Centerville, J. M'K. Shultz.....	1 00
New Jasper, A. W. Tibbitts.....	5 00
Moorefield, W. H. Smith.....	1 00
Jamestown, J. P. Shultz.....	3 00

#### HILLSBORO DISTRICT.

Hillsboro, J. Kendall.....	\$2 00
Greenfield, T. Collett.....	3 00
New Lexington, R. E. Smith....	2 00
Leesburg, J. I. Taggart.....	1 00
Rainsboro, J. H. Davis.....	1 00
Wilmington, J. P. Porter.....	2 00
Bowersville, A. M. Griffith.....	1 00
Martinsville, A. D. Raleigh.....	1 00



RIPLEY DISTRICT.			
Ripley, T. J. Harris.....	\$1 50	Aberdeen, S. N. Marsh.....	\$1 00
Manchester, D. L. Aultman.....	50	Bantam, J. F. M'Colm.....	2 00
Moscow, W. B. Moler.....	1 00	Olive Branch, J. Vance.....	2 00
Laurel, N. W. Darlington.....	4 00	West Union, C. J. Wells .....	1 00
Amelia, F. Leever.....	1 00	Feesburg, H. Stokes.....	50
Williamsburg, W. M. Boyer.....	1 00	Grand total .....	\$240 61

### REPORT ON CHURCH EXTENSION.

THE Church Extension Annual gives full and complete account of the workings of this Society. From it we learn that in twelve years of active work the Society has disbursed \$1,161,519.06, giving aid to 2,132 churches. The total number of the Methodist Episcopal Churches in the United States is 16,018. Two out of every fifteen of these Churches have been aided by this Society. It is to be hoped that in the coming year the pastors of our Conference will present the claims of this Society in every congregation and receive what they are willing to give to assist this Society in its grand work of building temples for the worship of the living God.

Where the Church is established, there the Gospel is preached. The children are gathered for the study of God's Word, souls are saved, God honored, and the world at length to be taken for him who has said, "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature." Therefore,

*Resolved*, That we, as pastors, will make diligent effort to raise the amount apportioned to our several charges.

### TREASURER'S REPORT OF CHURCH EXTENSION SOCIETY.

EAST CINCINNATI DISTRICT.			
Cincinnati: Wesley Chapel, S.		Mainville, C. T. Crum.....	\$1 00
Weeks.....	\$1 00	Lebanon, S. D. Clayton.....	5 25
Trinity, J. N. Irvin.....	25 00	Goshen, H. C. Middleton.....	10 00
Asbury, J. H. Lease.....	.....	Morrow and South Lebanon, G.	10 00
Pendleton, W. Young.....	.....	W. Dubois.....	10 00
Mt. Lookout.....	.....	Waynesville, L. F. Van Cleve.	9 10
Pearl Street, W. H. Miesse..	.....	New Burlington, D. Whitmer.	20 00
Mt. Auburn, John Pearson..	50 00	Xenia: First Church, L. Clark.	25 00
Walnut Hills, Henry Baker.	43 45	Trinity, W. N. Brodbeck....	5 00
Grace Ch., B. F. Dimmick..	4 00	Miami Circuit, G. L. Travis....	2 00
M'Kendree, A. U. Beall.....	6 00	West Chester and Sharon, G.	.....
Columbia, M. M. Kugler....	5 00	S. M'Laughlin.....	.....
Madisonville, A. Bowers.....	9 00	Total.....	\$254 80
Mt. Washington and Red		WEST CINCINNATI DISTRICT.	
Bank, J. A. Story.....	10 00	Cincinnati: St. Paul, H. B.	
Camp Dennison, W. A. Will-		Ridgaway.....	\$115 64
iams.....	.....	St John's, Madden.....	25 00
Milford, S. Bennett.....	.....	Christie, C. W. Ketcham.....	.....
Centenary, F. Hypes.....	4 00	Finley, J. A. White.....	10 00
Loveland.....	.....	York Street, D. J. Starr.....	.....

## Cincinnati: M'Lean, H. C.

Weakley .....	
Fairmount, G. W. Kelley... ..	
Cumminsville, H. Miller.....	
Groesbeck, John Wilson.....	\$6 00
Winton Place, C. W. Rishell... ..	33 00
Hartwell, J. F. Conrey.....	
Carthage, J. S. Bitler.....	
Lockland, D. C. Vance.....	19 00
Port Union, E. Burdsall.....	13 00
Cheviot, C. C. Jones.....	8 75
Bethany, J. S. Whitney.....	3 00
Hamilton, G. Moody.....	
Oxford, J. Murray.....	10 00
Venice, J. R. Hunter.....	1 75
Harrison, G. T. Weaver.....	4 36
Eaton, T. S. Cowden.....	15 00
Camden, J. E. H. Sentman.....	5 00
Seven-mile, R. K. Deem.....	2 25
Fair Haven and Sugar Valley, J. J. Hill.....	1 50
New Paris, L. F. Young.....	
Walker, J. R. Shannon.....	
North Bend, J. F. Hull.....	1 50
Delhi, H. Tuckley.....	

Total.....\$273 75

## DAYTON DISTRICT.

Dayton: Grace Church, A. B. Leonard.....	\$145 64
Raper Chapel, E. T. Wells..	120 00
Sears Street, J. W. Gaddis...	13 31
Troy, M. A. Richards.....	21 00
Tippecanoe, J. W. Mason.....	2 50
Addison, M. P. Zink.....	10 00
Concord, T. E. Fidler.....	2 00
Brookville, J. A. Easton.....	
Gordon, J. B. Ellsworth.....	1 05
Germantown, J. J. Hill.....	
Piqua: Green Street, J. W. Cassatt.....	13 11
Grace Church, S. O. Royal...	3 00
West Elkton and Winchester, L. O. Deputy.....	1 00
Troy Circuit, W. H. Black.....	7 00
Lockington, J. C. Ambrose.....	1 00
St. Paris and Lena, M. Dustin.	6 00
Brant, T. D. W. Peake.....	
Miamisburg, F. S. Davis.....	11 00
Franklin, C. Ferguson.....	
Red Lion and Springboro, W. Q. Shannon.....	1 00
Fairfield, N. Prince.....	
New Carlisle, M. Kauffman...	6 00
Middletown, G. H. Dart.....	
Monroe, D. D. Cheney.....	12 00
Northampton, G. M. Hammell.	3 00

Total.....\$379 81

## SPRINGFIELD DISTRICT.

Springfield: Central, W. A. Robinson.....	\$48 00
High Street, F. G. Mitchell..	50 00
Urbana: First Church, J. F. Marlay.....	
Second Church, A. N. Spahr.....	
King's Creek, D. L. Hayward.	13 00
Mutual, S. W. Carey.....	3 06
Mingo and Tabor, J. S. Pum- phrey.....	10 00
North Lewisburg, G. H. Ken- nedy.....	6 25
East Liberty, W. P. Jackson...	5 00
Tremont, J. G. Black.....	7 27
Union, C. A. Lawton.....	23 40
Centerville, J. M. Shultz.....	5 00
New Jasper, A. W. Tibbits.....	6 00
Mechanicsburg, F. M. Clemans.	
Moorefield, W. H. Smith.....	2 00
Yellow Springs, H. M. Keck...	60
Jamestown, J. P. Shultz.....	6 46
Catawba, E. C. Smith.....	5 00
South Charleston, S. B. Smith.	19 00
Old Town, C. H. Kalbfus.....	4 80
Cedarville, J. L. Gregg.....	
South Solon .....	

Total.....\$209 84

## HILLSBORO DISTRICT.

Hillsboro, J. Kendall.....	\$30 13
Greenfield, T. Collett.....	12 00
New Lexington, R. E. Smith..	3 00
Leesburg, J. I. Taggart.....	3 00
Rainsboro, J. H. Davis.....	3 00
Sinking Springs, G. M. Edgar.	4 00
Wilmington, J. P. Porter.....	15 00
Bowersville, A. M. Griffith.....	6 00
Clarksville, C. F. Gowdy.....	
Lynchburg, J. H. Middleton...	
Sugar Tree Ridge, E. D. Keyes.	3 00
Butlerville, A. Hamilton.....	
Newtonville, H. Witham.....	3 00
Marshall, D. A. M'Colm.....	2 00
Martinsville, A. D. Raleigh....	2 00
Winchester, E. M. Cole.....	7 00

Total ..... \$93 13

## RIPLEY DISTRICT.

Ripley, T. J. Harris.....	
Felicity, W. J. Quarry.....	
Georgetown, E. M'Hugh.....	
Bethel, A. D. Maddox.....	\$2 00
New Richmond, L. M. Davis...	2 10
Decatur, W. J. Baker.....	2 50
Manchester, D. L. Aultman....	
Moscow, W. B. Moler.....	1 00
Laurel, N. W. Darlington.....	5 00

Amelia, F. Leever.....	\$5 85
Williamsburg, W. M. Boyer...	2 00
Batavia, W. H. Sutherland.....	5 00
Aberdeen, S. N. Marsh.....	6 00
Boston, W. Mahon.....	2 00
Bantam, J. F. M'Colm.....	6 00
Olive Branch, J. Vance .....	7 00
Feesburg, H. Stokes .....	.....
Mt. Orab, S. W. Edmiston.....	2 50
Marathon, E. P. James.....	.....
West Union, C. J. Wells.....	10 00
Total.....	\$58 95

## RECAPITULATION.

East Cincinnati District .....	\$254 80
West Cincinnati District.....	273 75
Dayton District.....	379 81
Springfield District.....	209 84
Hillsboro District.....	93 13
Ripley District.....	58 95
Total.....	\$1,270 28

SYLVESTER WEEKS,  
*Treasurer pro tem.*

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TRACTS.

BELIEVING that the judicious circulation of our tract literature may still be made efficient in the promotion of good; therefore,

*Resolved*, That we adhere more closely to the requirements of our Discipline upon this subject.

J. S. PUMPHREY, *Chairman.*

S. N. MARSH, *Secretary.*

## REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE TRACT SOCIETY.

## EAST CINCINNATI DISTRICT.

Cincinnati: Wesley Chapel, S. Weeks.....	\$11 35
Trinity, J. N. Irvin.....	5 00
Asbury, J. H. Lease.....	1 50
Pearl Street, W. H. Miesse....	1 50
Mt. Auburn, John Pearson...	9 25
Walnut Hills, H. Baker.....	7 06
Columbia, M. M. Kugler.....	1 00
Madisonville, A. Bowers.....	2 00
Mt. Washington and Red Bank, J. A. Story.....	1 30
Centenary, F. Hypes.....	2 50
Mainville, C. T. Crum.....	50
Goshen, H. C. Middleton.....	1 55
Morrow and South Lebanon, G. W. Dubois.....	5 00
Waynesville, L. F. Van Cleve...	1 00
New Burlington, David Whitmer .....	0 50
Xenia: First Church, L. Clark..	10 00
Trinity, W. N. Brodbeck.....	10 00
Total .....	\$71 01
Last year.....	81 67
Decrease.....	\$10 66

## WEST CINCINNATI DISTRICT.

Cincinnati: St. Paul, H. B. Ridg- away.....	\$8 10
Christie, C. W. Ketcham.....	7 00
York Street, D. J. Starr.....	5 00
Winton Place and Camp Wash- ington, C. W. Rishell.....	11 00
Hartwell, J. F. Conrey .....	1 00
Lockland, D. C. Vance.....	5 00
Port Union, E. Burdsal <sup>l</sup> .....	1 20
Cheviot, C. C. Jones.....	3 00
Bethany, J. S. Whitney.....	1 00
Hamilton, G. Moody.....	5 00
Oxford, J. Murray.....	1 36
Harrison, G. T. Weaver.....	2 00
Eaton, T. S. Cowden.....	2 00
Camden, J. E. H. Sentman.....	2 00
Seven-mile, R. K. Deem.....	1 00
Total .....	\$55 66
Last year.....	57 66
Decrease.....	\$2 00

## DAYTON DISTRICT.

Dayton: Grace Church, A. B. Leonard.....	\$7 32
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Troy: Mulberry Street, M. A.	
Richards.....	\$2 50
Tippecanoe and Kessler, J. W.	
Mason.....	1 25
Addison, M. P. Zink.....	2 00
Brookville, J. A. Easton.....	1 00
West Elkton and Winchester, L.	
O. Deputy.....	2 00
Piqua: Green Street, J. W.	
Cassatt.....	6 00
Grace Church, S. O. Royal.....	1 00
Troy Circuit, W. H. Black.....	1 00
Miamisburg, F. S. Davis.....	1 00
New Carlisle, M. Kauffman.....	2 00
Northampton, Geo. M. Ham-	
mell.....	3 00
Total.....	\$30 07
Last year.....	24 17
Increase.....	\$5 90

## SPRINGFIELD DISTRICT.

Springfield: Central Church, W.	
A. Robinson.....	\$3 00
High Street, F. G. Mitchell...	5 00
King's Creek, D. L. Hayward...	3 00
Mutual, S. W. Carey.....	2 00
Mingo, J. S. Pumphrey.....	1 00
East Liberty, W. P. Jackson....	1 00
Tremont, J. G. Black.....	1 24
Union, C. H. Lawton.....	1 00
New Jasper, A. W. Tibbits.....	3 00
Moorefield, W. H. Smith.....	1 00
Yellow Springs, T. Wones.....	65
Jamestown, J. P. Shultz.....	3 00
Catawba, E. C. Smith.....	1 00
South Charleston, S. B. Smith...	2 05
Total.....	\$27 94
Last year.....	28 20
Decrease.....	\$0 26

## HILLSBORO DISTRICT.

Hillsboro, J. Kendall.....	\$2 00
Greenfield, T. Collett.....	4 00
New Lexington, R. E. Smith....	2 00
Leesburg, J. I. Taggart.....	1 00
Rainsboro, J. H. Davis.....	1 00
Wilmington, J. P. Porter.....	1 00
Bowersville, A. M. Griffith.....	1 00
Total.....	\$12 00
Last year.....	9 95
Increase.....	\$2 05

## RIPLEY DISTRICT.

Ripley, T. J. Harris.....	\$1 50
Manchester, D. Lee Aultman....	67
Moscow, W. B. Moler.....	1 00
Laurel, N. W. Darlington.....	4 00
Amelia, Frank Leever.....	1 00
Williamsburg, W. M. Boyer....	1 00
Aberdeen, S. N. Marsh.....	1 00
Boston, Wm. Mahon.....	50
Bantam, J. F. M'Colm.....	2 00
Olive Branch, J. Vance.....	2 00
West Union, E. P. James.....	1 00
Total.....	\$15 67
Last year.....	23 84
Decrease.....	\$8 17

## BY DISTRICTS.

East Cincinnati.....	\$71 01
West Cincinnati.....	55 66
Dayton.....	30 07
Springfield.....	27 94
Hillsboro.....	12 00
Ripley.....	15 67

Total.....	\$212 35
Last year.....	224 99
Decrease.....	\$12 64

D. LEE AULTMAN, *Treasurer.*

## REPORT ON FREEDMEN'S AID.

THE Freedmen's Aid Society is one of the important benevolent organizations of our Church. The great need of the freedmen for intellectual and moral elevation called it into existence, and the continuance of this condition makes the Society a continued necessity.

The blighting curse of slavery having long rested upon this people, they are left in such a condition of ignorance and degradation as to appeal strongly to the sympathies of all Christian people.

They possess citizenship as well as souls. They need qualification for

the former as well as the Gospel of salvation for the latter. The safety of the state is in the intelligence and virtue of the people; therefore, as patriots, as well as Christians, it is our duty to observe the following direction in our Discipline:

"Let all our people contribute liberally each year for the support of our Freedmen's Aid Society."

The work of the Society is conducted with wisdom. It aims at centers of influence. It educates for the ministry, and for teaching. It has not the means to conduct a scheme for popular education and specific missionary labor, but qualifies preachers and teachers for this work among their own people. Institutions of learning are centrally located, and are doing efficient work. An expenditure of a given sum of money will accomplish more in this field than in almost any other.

The voices of the freedmen cry to us, "Come over and help us." These voices come to us with greater emphasis because the ears nearest to them are so heedless.

Says Rev. I. J. Lansing: "None of the large and influential religious denominations of the South, in the twelve years since the war, have established for the colored people a single academy, seminary, college, university, or normal or theological school; and not one of the institutions under their control is open to persons having any trace of African blood."

It is, therefore, evident from what source their chief help must come. They who held them in slavery seek now to hold them in a condition of vassalage kindred to their former enslavement. Fraud in business, persecution and murder in politics render subsistence difficult, and the exercise of the sacred rights of citizenship impossible.

As one of the results of this state of things is the recent remarkable "exodus" from the South to the West. Oppression in Egypt contributed to the exodus of the children of Israel. Under like conditions history repeats itself.

The instincts of humanity are for liberty, for God made man free. Liberty suppressed will break the yoke of oppression, or seek an open field elsewhere.

This out-going of the colored people will continue, and increase, if the cause which produced it continues; if justice and the free exercise of the rights of citizenship are allowed the tide will be stayed. It is to be hoped that the South will see their wickedness and folly toward this people, and change their treatment of them.

Whether in the South or West, the freedmen greatly need the helping hand of the Christian and the patriot.

Your committee recommend the following action:

1. That the apportionment of two thousand five hundred dollars made to this Conference by the Board of Managers of the Freedmen's Aid Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church be distributed by the presiding elders to the districts and charges, and that they report to the charges the apportionment made at the first quarterly-meeting if possible.
2. That we will present the claims of this cause to our congregations, and make an earnest effort to raise the apportionment.
3. That we cordially approve the manner in which the Secretary, R. S.

Rust, D. D., has discharged his official duties in connection with this Society, thereby rapidly advancing the interests of this great cause.

S. B. SMITH, *Secretary.*

L. CLARK, *Chairman.*

## REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE FREEDMEN'S AID SOCIETY.

### EAST CINCINNATI DISTRICT.

Cincinnati: Wesley Chapel, S. Weeks.....	\$2 00
Trinity, J. N. Irvin.....	25 00
Asbury, J. H. Lease.....	10 00
Pendleton, Wm. Young.....	.....
Pearl Street, W. H. Miesse..	6 50
Mt. Auburn, John Pearson..	69 75
Walnut Hills.....	127 47
Grace Church, B. F. Dimmick.....	5 00
M'Kendree, A. U. Beall....	7 00
Madisonville, A. Bowers.....	25 00
Mt. Washington and Red Bank, J. A. Story.....	10 00
Xenia: Trinity, W. N. Brodbeck.....	12 00
First Church, L. Clark.....	30 00
Morrow and South Lebanon, G. W. Dubois.....	10 00
Waynesville, L. F. Van Cleave.....	1 00
New Burlington, D. Whitmer.	8 50
Camp Dennison, W. N. Williams.....	7 18
Goshen, H. C. Middleton.....	7 55
Centenary, F. Hypes.....	4 00
Mainville, C. T. Crum.....	1 00
West Chester, G. S. M'Laughlin.....	3 00
Columbia, M. M. Kugler.....	5 00
Total .....	\$376 95
Last year.....	531 66
Decrease.....	\$154 71

### WEST CINCINNATI DISTRICT.

Cincinnati: St. Paul, H. B. Ridgeway.....	\$767 91
Christie, C. W. Ketcham....	27 50
York Street, D. J. Starr....	15 00
M'Lean, H. C. Weakley....	11 25
Fairmount, G. W. Kelley...	5 10
Winton Place and Camp Washington, C. W. Rishell.....	55 00
Lockland, D. C. Vance.....	15 00
Port Union, E. Burdsall.....	12 00
Hartwell, J. F. Conrey.....	10 00

Oxford, J. Murray.....	\$15 00
Eaton, T. S. Cowden.....	1,700 00
Harrison, G. T. Weaver.....	3 75
Seven-mile, R. K. Deem... ..	7 60
Bethany, J. S. Whitney.....	5 00
Camden, J. E. H. Sentman...	10 00
North Bend, J. F. Hull.....	75
Cheviot, C. C. Jones.....	7 00
Hamilton, G. Moody.....	23 00
Groesbeck, J. Wilson.....	12 00
Fair Haven and Sugar Valley, J. J. Hill. ....	5 00
Total .....	\$2,707 86
Last year.....	1,363 32
Increase.....	\$1,344 54

### DAYTON DISTRICT.

Dayton: Grace Church, A. B. Leonard.....	\$33 85
Raper, E. T. Wells.....	80 00
Davison and Sears, J. W. Gaddis.....	8 50
Piqua: Grace Church, S. O. Royal.....	3 00
Green Street, J. W. Cassatt.	20 64
New Carlisle, M. Kauffman...	5 00
Troy: Mulberry Street, M. A. Richards.....	3 75
Troy Circuit, W. H. Black....	8 00
Brandt, T. D. W. Peake.. ....	4 00
St. Paris and Lena, M. Dustin.	6 00
Tippecanoe, J. W. Mason....	3 00
Addison, M. P. Zink.....	5 00
Miamisburg, F. S. Davis.....	14 00
Monroe, D. D. Cheney.....	8 20
Red Lion and Springboro, W. Q. Shannon.....	1 00
Northampton, G. M. Hammell.....	3 00
West Elkton and Winchester, L. O. Deputy.....	2 00
Lockington, J. C. Ambrose ..	2 00
Gordon, J. B. Ellsworth.....	1 10
Total .....	\$212 04
Last year.....	250 99
Decrease.....	\$38 95



## SPRINGFIELD DISTRICT.

Springfield: Central Church, W. A. Robinson.....	\$75 00
High Street, F. G. Mitchell.	50 00
Urbana: First Church, J. F. Marlay.....	33 25
Grace Church, A. N. Spahr..	4 00
Mechanicsburg, F. M. Clemans	35 00
Old Town, C. H. Kalbfus.....	4 80
Catawba, E. C. Smith.....	6 45
Jamestown, J. P. Shultz.....	7 47
Cedarville, J. S. Gregg.....	2 06
East Liberty, W. P. Jackson..	10 00
King's Creek, D. L. Hayward	6 50
New Jasper, A. W. Tibbits....	10 00
Tremont, J. G. Black.....	6 50
Mingo and Tabor, J. S. Pumph- rey .....	15 00
New Moorefield, W. H. Smith	8 00
Centerville, J. M'K. Shultz...	4 00
Union, C. H. Lawton.....	15 00
North Lewisburg, G. H. Ken- nedy.....	4 00
Mutual, S. W. Carey.....	4 07
Yellow Springs, T. Wones....	65
South Charleston, S. B. Smith	20 00
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$321 69</b>
<b>Last year.....</b>	<b>402 12</b>
<b>Decrease .....</b>	<b>\$80 43</b>

## HILLSBORO DISTRICT.

Hillsboro, T. H. Pearne.....	\$50 75
Greenfield, T. Collett.....	11 00
New Lexington, R. E. Smith.	7 00
Rainsboro, J. H. Davis.....	5 00
Sugar-tree Ridge, E. D. Keyes	6 50
Sinking Springs, Geo. M. Ed- gar .....	1 00
Leesburg, J. I. Taggart.....	3 00

*Grand total .....	\$3,848 19
Last year.....	3,007 02
<b>Increase .....</b>	<b>\$841 17</b>

WM. B. MOLER, *Treasurer*.

\*Of this amount the Conference ordered \$5 to be paid for the publication of this report in the Conference Minutes.

Marshall, D. A. M'Colm.....	\$1 00
Butlerville, A. Hamilton.....	3 00
Lynchburg, J. H. Middleton..	50
Newtonville, Henry Witham..	3 00
Clarksville, C. F. Gowdy.....	1 00
Bowersville, A. M. Griffith....	6 00
Wilmington, J. P. Porter.....	15 00
Martinsville, A. D. Raleigh...	2 00
Winchester, E. M. Cole.....	10 25

<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$126 00</b>
<b>Last year.....</b>	<b>355 13</b>

<b>Decrease.....</b>	<b>\$229 13</b>
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## RIPLEY DISTRICT.

Ripley, T. J. Harris.....	\$7 00
Bethel, A. D. Maddox.....	7 70
Georgetown, E. M'Hugh.....	25 00
Amelia, F. Leever.....	4 80
Mt. Orab and Sardinia, S. W. Edmiston.....	1 00
Manchester, D. L. Aultman...	5 00
Decatur, Wm. J. Baker.....	2 50
Boston, W. Mahon.....	2 50
Moscow, Wm. B. Moler.....	1 30
West Union, C. J. Wells.....	10 00
Olive Branch, John Vance....	6 00
Bantam, J. F. M'Colm.....	3 00
Aberdeen, S. N. Marsh.....	6 00
Williamsburg, W. M. Boyer...	3 00
Felicity, W. J. Quarry.....	1 50
Batavia, Wm. H. Sutherland..	3 35
Feesburg, H. Stokes.....	1 00
New Richmond, L. M. Davis.	3 00
Laurel, N. W. Darlington.....	10 00

<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$103 65</b>
<b>Last year.....</b>	<b>103 80</b>

<b>Decrease.....</b>	<b>\$0 15</b>
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## REPORT ON THE BIBLE CAUSE.

THE Bible was given to man for his instruction. Upon the Church is placed the responsibility of conveying it to the people.

We hail with gladness any means by which the pure Word of God is given to those who are ignorant of its teachings.

For sixty-three years the American Bible Society has been doing



great things in this direction. During the past year especially the efficiency of the Society has been remarkable, more than a million Bibles and Testaments having been distributed in home and foreign countries, and among the colored population of our own land, partly free, and the remainder at marvelously low prices; therefore,

*Resolved*, That we will encourage, in all practicable ways, the work of the American Bible Society, and lift our prayers to Almighty God for its continued and increased success.

C. W. RISHELL, *Secretary*.

D. D. CHENEY, *President*.

#### CASH RECEIVED FOR THE AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY.

Wesley Chapel, S. Weeks.....	\$1 00	Catawba, E. C. Smith.....	\$1 00
Mt. Auburn, J. Pearson.....	50	Butlerville, A. Hamilton.....	2 00
Goshen, H. C. Middleton.....	2 60	Rainsboro, J. H. Davis.....	1 05
Morrow, G. W. Dubois.....	25	Clarksville, C. F. Gowdy.....	1 65
Cheviot, C. C. Jones.....	1 00	Leesburg, J. I. Taggart.....	1 00
Camden, J. E. H. Sentman.....	2 00	York Street, D. J. Starr.....	6 00
Bethany, J. S. Whitney.....	1 45	Tippecanoe, J. W. Mason.....	2 00
Brookville, J. A. Easton.....	1 00	Hamilton, G. Moody.....	5 00
West Elkton, L. O. Deputy.....	1 00		
Northampton, G. W. Hammell..	6 00		
Moorefield, W. H. Smith.....	1 00		
			\$37 50

Receipts and statements from brethren.....\$248 27

Whole amount reported from 38 charges..... 285 77

H. C. MIDDLETON, *Conference Treasurer*.

#### TREASURER'S REPORT OF THE EPISCOPAL FUND.

##### EAST CINCINNATI DISTRICT.

Cincinnati: Wesley Chapel, S. Weeks.....	\$23 00
Trinity, J. N. Irvin.....	
Asbury, J. H. Lease.....	12 00
Pendleton, W. Young.....	2 50
Pearl Street, W. H. Miesse..	7 50
Mt. Auburn, J. Pearson.....	8 00
Walnut Hills.....	75 00
Grace Church, B. F. Dimick.....	5 00
M'Kendree, A. U. Beall.....	14 00
Madisonville, A. Bowers.....	10 00
Mt. Washington, J. A. Story..	12 00
Camp Dennison, W. N. Williams.....	10 00
Milford, S. Bennett.....	6 00
Centenary, F. Hypes.....	7 20
Mainville, C. T. Crum.....	5 00
Lebanon, S. D. Clayton.....	10 00
Goshen, H. C. Middleton.....	12 00
Waynesville, L. F. Van Cleave..	10 00
New Burlington, D. Whitmer..	10 00
Xenia: First Church, L. Clark..	22 00
Trinity, W. N. Brodbeck....	22 00

Miami Circuit, G. L. Travis....	\$11 05
Morrow and South Lebanon, G. W. Dubois.....	5 00
Columbia, M. M. Kugler.....	4 00
West Chester, G. S. M'Laughlin .....	5 00
	\$308 25

##### WEST CINCINNATI DISTRICT.

Cincinnati: St. Paul, H. B. Ridgeway.....	\$77 10
St. John's, T. E. Madden.....	16 00
Christie, C. W. Ketcham.....	21 00
Finley, J. A. White.....	
York Street, D. J. Starr.....	20 00
M'Lean, H. C. Weakley.....	
Fairmount, G. W. Kelley....	5 00
Cummins ville, Henry Miller	3 00
Groesbeck, J. Wilson.....	4 25
Winton Place, C. W. Rishell...	10 00
Hartwell, J. F. Conrey.....	5 00
Carthage, J. S. Bitler.....	
Lockland, D. C. Vance.....	25 00
Port Union, E. Burdsall.....	10 00

Cheviot, C. C. Jones.....	\$7 50	Urbana: Grace, A. N. Spahr...	\$20 00
Bethany, J. S. Whitney.....	10 00	King's Creek, D. L. Hayward..	10 00
Hamilton, G. Moody.....	16 98	Mingo and Tabor, J. S. Pum-	
Oxford, J. Murray.....	20 00	phrey.....	14 00
Venice, J. R. Hunter.....	3 00	North Lewisburg, G. H. Ken-	
Harrison, G. T. Weaver.....	9 60	nedy.....	4 00
Eaton, T. S. Cowden.....	15 00	East Liberty, W. P. Jackson...	11 00
Camden, J. E. H. Sentman.....	9 50	Tremont, J. G. Black.....	13 90
Seven-mile, R. K. Deem.....	7 50	Union, C. H. Lawton.....	12 00
New Paris, L. F. Young.....	4 00	Centerville, J. M'K. Shultz....	12 00
Fair Haven and Sugar Valley,		New Jasper.....	12 00
J. J. Hill.....	4 00	Mechanicsburg.....	
Walker and Union, John R.		Moorefield, W. H. Smith.....	10 00
Shannon.....	6 00	Yellow Springs.....	
North Bend, J. F. Hull.....	90	Jamestown, J. P. Shultz.....	12 00
Delhi, Henry Tuckley.....	4 00	Catawba, E. C. Smith.....	5 00
		South Charleston, S. B. Smith..	17 50
		Old Town, C. H. Kalbfus.....	5 00
		Cedarville.....	
		Mutual, S. W. Carey.....	7 00
	\$314 33		

## DAYTON DISTRICT.

Dayton: Grace Church, A. B.	
Leonard.....	\$35 00
Raper Chapel, E. T. Wells...	25 00
Davisson and Sears Street, J.	
W. Gaddis.....	5 00
Troy, M. A. Richards.....	10 00
Tippecanoe, J. W. Mason.....	3 85
Addison, M. P. Zink.....	10 00
Concord, T. E. Fidler.....	3 00
Brookville, J. A. Easton.....	5 50
Gordon, J. B. Ellsworth.....	4 00
Germantown, W. P. Thirkield..	8 40
West Elkton and Winchester,	
L. O. Deputy.....	2 00
Piqua: Green Street, J. W.	
Cassatt.....	10 00
Grace, S. O. Royal.....	8 00
Lockington, J. C. Ambrose.....	1 00
St. Paris, M. Dustin.....	9 00
Brandt, T. D. W. Peake.....	7 00
Miamisburg, F. S. Davis.....	10 00
Franklin, C. Ferguson.....	14 24
Red Lion and Springboro, W.	
Q. Shannon.....	8 00
Fairfield, N. H. Prince.....	10 00
New Carlisle, M. Kauffman....	4 00
Middletown, G. H. Dart.....	10 00
Monroe, D. D. Cheney.....	10 00
Northampton, Geo. M. Ham-	
mell.....	15 00
Troy Circuit, W. H. Black.....	10 00

\$237 99

## SPRINGFIELD DISTRICT.

Springfield: Central Church,	
W. A. Robinson.....	\$24 00
High Street, F. G. Mitchell...	24 00
Urbana: First Church, J. F.	
Marlay.....	10 50

## HILLSBORO DISTRICT.

Hillsboro, James Kendall.....	\$20 04
Greenfield.....	
New Lexington, R. E. Smith...	5 00
Leesburg, J. I. Taggart.....	8 00
Rainsboro, J. H. Davis.....	9 00
Sinking Springs.....	
Wilmington, J. P. Porter.....	13 00
Bowersville, A. M. Griffith.....	6 00
Clarksville, C. F. Gowdy.....	9 00
Lynchburg, J. H. Middleton...	2 00
Butlerville, A. Hamilton.....	2 00
Marshall, D. A. M'Colm.....	2 00
Martinsville, A. D. Raleigh...	5 00
Sugar-tree Ridge, E. D. Keyes.	7 00
Newtonville, Henry Witham...	8 00
Winchester, E. M. Cole.....	13 00

\$109 04

## RIPLEY DISTRICT.

Ripley, T. J. Harris.....	\$10 00
Felicity, W. J. Quarry.....	10 00
Georgetown, E. M'Hugh.....	10 00
Bethel, A. D. Maddox.....	5 00
New Richmond, L. M. Da-	
vis.....	3 00
Decatur, W. J. Baker.....	4 00
Manchester, D. L. Aultman....	8 83
Moscow, W. B. Moler.....	2 40
Laurel, N. W. Darlington.....	8 50
Amelia, F. Leever.....	9 35
Williamsburg, W. M. Boyer....	8 00
Batavia, W. H. Sutherland....	10 00
Aberdeen, S. N. Marsh.....	10 00
Boston, W. Mahon.....	7 00

Olive Branch, J. Vance.....	\$8 00
Feesburg.....	.....
Mt. Orab and Sardinia, S. W. Edmiston.....	5 00
Marathon, E. P. James.....	5 00
West Union, C. J. Wells.....	8 00
Bantam, J. F. M'Colm.....	5 00
	\$137 08

RECAPITULATION BY DISTRICTS.

East Cincinnati District.....	\$308 25
West Cincinnati District.....	314 33
Dayton District.....	237 99
Springfield District.....	223 90
Hillsboro District.....	109 04
Ripley District.....	137 08
Total.....	\$1,330 59

J. S. PUMPHREY, *Treasurer.*

TREASURER'S REPORT OF THE CONFERENCE MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

APPOINTMENTS.	SABBATH-SCHOOL.	CONGREGATIONS.	TOTAL.
EAST CINCINNATI DISTRICT.			
Cincinnati: Wesley Chapel, by Rev. S. Weeks...	\$33 90	\$216 10	\$250 00
Trinity, by Rev. J. N. Irvin.....	220 43	364 71	585 14
Asbury, by Rev. J. H. Leas.....	89 17	106 00	195 17
Pendleton, by Rev. Wm. Young.....	15 00	.....	15 00
Pearl Street, by Rev. W. H. Miesse.....	44 40	31 40	75 80
Mt. Auburn, by Rev. John Pearson.....	151 26	169 07	320 33
Walnut Hills, by J. C. Brooke.....	222 05	622 08	844 13
Grace Church, by Rev. B. F. Dimmick.....	52 90	42 10	95 00
M'Kendree, by Rev. A. U. Beall.....	23 24	40 62	63 86
Columbia, by Rev. M. M. Kugler.....	8 00	22 00	30 00
Madisonville, by Rev. A. Bowers.....	118 01	108 99	227 00
Mt. Washington and Red Bank, by Rev. J. A. Story.....	32 00	58 00	90 00
Camp Dennison, by Rev. W. N. Williams.....	13 79	48 11	61 15
Milford, by Rev. S. Bennett.....	22 46	15 54	38 00
Centenary, by Rev. F. Hypes.....	.....	.....	55 56
Mainville, by Rev. C. T. Crum.....	10 00	16 00	26 00
Lebanon, by Rev. S. D. Clayton.....	57 07	111 85	168 92
Goshen, by Rev. H. C. Middleton.....	17 00	17 75	34 75
Morrow & South Lebanon, by Rev. G. W. Dubois.....	12 00	28 15	40 15
Waynesville, by Rev. L. F. Van Cleve.....	41 17	40 25	81 42
New Burlington, by Rev. D. Whitmer.....	1 76	74 52	76 28
Xenia: First Church, by Rev. L. Clark.....	131 88	168 85	300 73
Trinity, by Rev. W. N. Brodbeck.....	62 80	169 00	231 80
Miami, by Rev. G. L. Travis.....	3 52	29 00	32 52
W. Chester & Sharon, by Rev. G. S. M'Laughlin.....	6 50	33 50	40 00
Total.....	.....	.....	\$3,978 71
WEST CINCINNATI DISTRICT.			
Cincinnati: St. Paul, by Rev. H. B. Ridgaway..	568 42	672 58	1,241 00
St. John's, by Rev. T. E. Madden.....	10 00	4 00	14 00
Christie, by Rev. C. W. Ketcham.....	43 52	372 90	416 42
Finley, by Rev. J. A. White.....	4 10	15 90	20 00
York Street, by Rev. D. J. Starr.....	50 00	150 91	200 91
M'Lean, by Rev. H. C. Weakley.....	.....	30 00	30 00
Fairmount, by Rev. G. W. Kelley.....	26 76	3 24	30 00
Cummins ville, by Rev. H. Miller.....	5 00	17 00	22 00

APPOINTMENTS.	SABBATH-SCHOOL.	CONGREGATIONS.	TOTAL.
Groesbeck, by Rev. John Wilson.....	.....	\$31 25	\$31 25
Winton Place and Camp Washington, by Rev. C. W. Rishell.....	.....	.....	172 40
Hartwell, by Rev. J. F. Conrey.....	.....	40 00	40 00
Carthage, by Rev. J. S. Bitler.....	.....	.....	3 75
Lockland, by Rev. D. C. Vance.....	\$33 00	267 00	300 00
Port Union, by Rev. E. Burdsall.....	27 15	72 85	100 00
Cheviot, by Rev. C. C. Jones.....	14 82	71 00	85 82
Bethany, by Rev. J. S. Whitney.....	31 50	46 50	78 00
Hamilton, by Rev. G. Moody.....	71 30	80 75	152 05
Oxford, by Rev. J. Murray.....	50 00	382 50	432 50
Venice, by Rev. J. R. Hunter.....	.....	.....	25 00
Harrison, by Rev. G. T. Weaver.....	6 35	12 30	18 65
Eaton, by Rev. T. S. Cowden.....	38 53	161 47	200 00
Camden, by Rev. J. E. H. Sentman.....	2 62	63 38	66 00
Seven-mile, by Rev. R. K. Deem.....	.....	40 00	40 00
New Paris, by Rev. L. F. Young.....	.....	.....	5 00
Fair Haven & Sugar Valley, by Rev. J. J. Hill..	3 67	38 95	42 62
Walker and Union, by Rev. J. R. Shannon.....	.....	.....	22 80
North Bend, by Rev. J. F. Hull.....	4 30	4 70	9 00
Delhi, by Rev. H. Tuckley.....	10 00	25 00	35 00
Total.....	.....	.....	\$3,834 17
DAYTON DISTRICT.			
Dayton : Grace Church, by Rev. A. B. Leonard..	309 58	134 73	444 31
Raper, by Rev. E. T. Wells .....	240 36	359 64	600 00
Sears Street and Davisson Chapel, by Rev. J. W. Gaddis.....	7 11	61 24	68 35
Troy : Mulberry Street, by Rev. M. A. Richards.	57 00	63 00	120 00
Tippecanoe and Kessler, by Rev. J. W. Mason...	10 00	15 00	25 00
Addison, by Rev. M. P. Zink.....	.....	.....	20 00
Concord, by Rev. T. E. Fidler.....	.....	22 00	22 00
Brookville, by Rev. J. A. Easton.....	.....	22 00	22 00
Gordon, by Rev. J. B. Ellsworth.....	.....	16 45	16 45
Germantown, by Rev. W. T. Thirkield.....	.....	44 62	44 62
W. Elkton & Winchester, by Rev. L. O. Deputy.	.....	.....	20 00
Piqua : Green Street, by Rev. J. W. Cassatt.....	50 00	50 25	100 25
Grace Church, by Rev. S. O. Royal.....	1 00	14 00	15 00
Lockington, by Rev. J. C. Ambrose.....	.....	.....	8 25
Troy Circuit, by Rev. W. H. Black.....	15 00	35 00	50 00
St. Paris and Lena, by Rev. M. Dustin.....	.....	41 25	41 25
Brandt, by Rev. T. D. W. Peak.....	.....	24 00	24 00
Miamisburg, by Rev. F. S. Davis.....	30 00	57 00	87 00
Franklin, by Rev. C. Ferguson.....	40 00	76 20	116 20
Red Lion & Springboro, by Rev. W. Q. Shannon.	.....	55 50	55 50
Fairfield, by Rev. N. Prince.....	.....	39 00	39 00
New Carlisle, by Rev. M. Kauffman.....	5 68	46 17	51 85
Middletown, by Rev. G. H. Dart.....	31 00	53 00	84 00
Monroe, by Rev. D. D. Cheney.....	11 00	51 00	62 00
Northampton, by Rev. G. H. Hammell.....	.....	40 00	40 00
Total.....	.....	.....	\$2,177 05
SPRINGFIELD DISTRICT.			
Springfield: Central Church, by Rev. W. A. Robinson.....	129 27	245 73	375 00
High Street, by Rev. F. G. Mitchell.....	163 00	247 00	410 00

APPOINTMENTS.	SABBATH-SCHOOL.	CONGREGATIONS.	TOTAL.
Urbana : First Church, by Rev. J. F. Marlay.....	\$43 73	\$190 25	\$233 98
Second Church, by Rev. A. N. Spahr.....	.....	141 00	141 00
King's Creek, by Rev. D. L. Hayward.....	10 21	79 79	90 00
Mutual, by Rev. S. W. Carey.....	4 20	55 80	60 00
Mingo, by Rev. J. S. Pumphrey.....	5 52	52 48	58 00
North Lewisburg, by Rev. G. H. Kennedy.....	10 00	50 00	60 00
East Liberty, by Rev. W. P. Jackson.....	.....	51 00	51 00
Tremont, by Rev. J. G. Black.....	.....	.....	77 50
Union, by Rev. C. H. Lawton.....	17 46	136 54	154 00
Centerville, by Rev. J. M. Shultz.....	20 00	42 82	62 82
New Jasper, by Rev. A. W. Tibbits.....	.....	.....	74 20
Mechanicsburg, by Rev. F. M. Clemans.....	77 30	152 70	230 00
Moorefield, by Rev. W. H. Smith.....	7 00	33 00	40 00
Yellow Springs, by Rev. T. Wones.....	.....	.....	10 00
Jamestown, by Rev. J. P. Shultz.....	56 53	125 90	182 43
Catawba, by Rev. E. C. Smith.....	.....	44 91	44 91
South Charleston, by Rev. S. B. Smith.....	8 57	102 28	110 85
Old Town, by Rev. C. H. Kalbfus.....	.....	11 75	11 75
Cedarville, by Rev. J. L. Gregg.....	17 00	28 40	45 40
South Solon, by Rev. J. Verity.....	.....	.....	12 00
Total.....	.....	.....	\$2,534 84

HILLSBORO DISTRICT.

Hillsboro, by Rev. J. Kendall.....	120 77	161 10	281 87
Greenfield, by Rev. T. Collett.....	.....	.....	62 75
New Lexington, by Rev. R. E. Smith.....	.....	.....	76 00
Leesburg, by Rev. J. I. Taggart.....	3 25	80 00	83 25
Rainsboro, by Rev. J. C. Davis.....	2 20	56 80	59 00
Sinking Springs, by Rev. G. M. Edgar.....	.....	.....	60 00
Wilmington, by Rev. J. P. Porter.....	12 00	48 00	60 00
Bowersville, by Rev. A. M. Griffith.....	.....	55 00	55 00
Clarksville, by Rev. C. F. Gowdy.....	.....	.....	37 11
Lynchburg, by Rev. J. H. Middleton.....	5 00	56 50	61 50
Sugar-tree Ridge, by Rev. E. D. Keyes.....	3 25	27 75	31 00
Butlerville, by Rev. A. Hamilton.....	81	30 00	30 81
Newtonville, by Rev. H. Witham.....	4 00	30 00	34 00
Marshall, by Rev. D. H. M'Colm.....	60	60 40	61 00
Martinsville, by Rev. A. D. Raleigh.....	10 00	26 00	36 00
Winchester, by Rev. E. M. Cole.....	16 00	49 00	65 00
Total.....	.....	.....	\$1,094 29

RIPLEY DISTRICT.

Ripley, by Rev. T. J. Harris.....	.....	108 50	108 50
Felicity, by Rev. W. J. Quarry.....	13 00	27 00	40 00
Georgetown, by Rev. E. M'Hugh.....	.....	.....	30 00
Bethel, by Rev. A. D. Maddox.....	.....	58 75	58 75
New Richmond, by Rev. L. M. Davis.....	.....	20 00	20 00
Decatur, by Rev. W. J. Baker.....	2 80	42 20	45 00
Manchester, by Rev. D. L. Aultman.....	6 50	33 50	40 00
Moscow, by Rev. W. B. Moler.....	19 19	41 90	61 09
Laurel, by Rev. N. W. Darlington.....	3 57	38 32	41 89
Amelia, by Rev. F. Leever.....	4 13	17 30	21 43
Williamsburg, by Rev. W. M. Boyer.....	7 00	30 00	37 00
Batavia, by Rev. W. H. Sutherland.....	10 00	41 00	51 00
Aberdeen, by Rev. S. N. Marsh.....	33 00	67 00	100 00
Boston, by Rev. W. Mahon.....	2 95	19 65	22 60

APPOINTMENTS.	SABBATH-SCHOOL.	CONGREGATIONS.	TOTAL.
Bantam, by Rev. J. F. M'Colm.....	\$3 00	\$50 00	\$53 00
Olive Branch, by Rev. J. Vance.....	.....	66 00	66 00
Feesburg, by Rev. H. Stokes.....	.....	47 30	47 30
Mt. Orab and Sardinia, by Rev. S. W. Edmiston.....	.....	.....	15 00
Marathon, by Rev. E. P. James.....	.....	25 00	25 00
West Union, by Rev. C. J. Wells.....	2 00	48 00	50 00
Total.....	.....	.....	\$933 56

## BEQUESTS.

Interest on bequest of Thomas Robertson, deceased, by Rev. J. Vance, of Olive Branch Circuit.....\$63 00

## RECAPITULATION.

East Cincinnati District.....	\$3,978 71
West Cincinnati District.....	3,834 17
Dayton District.....	2,177 03
Springfield District.....	2,534 84
Hillsboro District.....	1,094 29
Ripley District.....	933 56

Total from Districts.....	\$14,552 60
Bequests.....	63 00

Grand total.....	\$14,615 60
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Paid for publishing Minutes.....	\$25 00
Paid L. Hitchcock, as per receipts.....	4,029 27
Paid L. Hitchcock, cash.....	10,561 33
	\$14,615 60

J. F. CONREY, *Treasurer.*

## REPORT ON FINANCE.

YOUR Committee on Finance submit the following:

That we are persuaded that many members of our Church do not fully appreciate the duty resting upon them, and which they voluntarily assumed on their admission into full connection—that of contributing according to their ability to the support of the Gospel and the various benevolent enterprises of the Church; and we fear that this duty is by many soon forgotten. They do not remember that all they have belongs to God, and do not seem to comprehend that common honesty and fair dealing require the prompt and cheerful payment of the amounts judged by the authorities of the Church necessary for the support of the pastor and other expenses of the Church of God is as clearly a duty as the payment of any other honest debt, the collection of which could be enforced by law. And they have forgotten that while the spiritual interests of the Church are paramount, the financial are certainly second in their claims upon all who profess our holy religion. They pray with becoming earnestness, “Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as



it is in heaven," and seem to imagine that their whole duty is performed and that their interest ceases with the mere offering of the petition.

In order, therefore, that they may become acquainted with their duty in this matter, and properly impressed with the importance of its performance, we recommend :

1. That, as far as practicable, the same financial plan be prescribed for and adopted by every charge in the Cincinnati Conference, and we submit the following plan: That a committee, composed of equal numbers of the stewards and trustees in each pastoral charge, be appointed in the beginning of each conference year, whose duty it shall be to prepare and present to the official body of the Church a full and fair assessment of each member of the Church in the charge, and, when approved by that body, the same shall be read publicly in the congregation. There shall also be appointed a committee, of such number as may be deemed necessary, whose duty it shall be to see every member so assessed, and, if found practicable, secure the assent of each in writing to the payment of the same, or such sums as they are severally willing to pay; the same to be paid in weekly, monthly, or quarterly installments, as may be found best.

2. That it shall be the duty of the recording steward of the charge, ten days at least before the close of each quarter, to prepare a list of the delinquents, with the amount due from each, and furnish the same to the class-leaders of such delinquents, whose duty it shall be to collect the same, if possible, by the close of the quarter.

3. It shall be the duty of each pastor of the charge to read this plan to his congregation or congregations at the beginning of the first quarter, and afterward as often as he may deem necessary, and the presiding elder of the district shall urge the adoption of the same by the quarterly conference.

4. We also recommend that the benevolent collections of the Church be distributed as equally as possible throughout the year.

All of which we submit.

L. F. VAN CLEVE, *Chairman*;

WM. M. MEEK, *Secretary*;

C. H. LAWTON,

D. C. VANCE,

A. HAMILTON,

G. H. DART,

JNO. S. PERKINS,

JAMES M'MATH,

W. R. WARNOCK,

JOHN COCHNOWER,

J. F. M'COLM.

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## REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

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INTEMPERANCE is an evil of great magnitude. No community is free from its presence, no person indulging is proof against its disastrous consequences, no family is secure against its ravages. The enemies of temperance are persistent and incessant in spreading the curse, manufacturing and selling it, and setting it in the way of every individual. The work of temperance is hindered by the indifference of temperate people; by their connection, near or remote, with the traffic; by unfaithfulness to pledges made, and by a lack of consistent and persistent effort on the



part of some of the ministry and many of the membership of the Churches. We recognize the Church as the chief agency through which this, as every other sin, is to be destroyed. It must keep the lead of the host arrayed against evil.

Your Committee submit the following resolutions :

1. That we welcome every agency for suppressing the liquor traffic and rescuing and curing drunkards whose spirit and methods are consistent with the Gospel of Christ.

2. That we use every opportunity and every method in our control to teach the people the true nature of this evil, and the sure way of salvation therefrom, directing their attention to Him who "was manifested that he might destroy the works of the devil."

3. That we adhere strictly to the provisions of our Discipline,—to preach on the subject, to disseminate healthy temperance literature, to organize juvenile temperance societies, and see that nothing but pure, unfermented wine be provided for the sacrament.

4. That we have the fullest confidence in, and heartily indorse, the Woman's Christian Temperance Union.

5. That it is the duty of all Christians, and especially of Methodists, to refrain from all use of intoxicating liquors and narcotics, and labor to secure the total prohibition of the traffic.

G. T. WEAVER, *Chairman*.

J. P. PORTER, *Secretary*.

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#### REPORT ON PERIODICALS AND BOOK CONCERN ACCOUNTS.

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WE deem it unnecessary to repeat in detail our oft expressed commendation of the periodicals issued by our Book Concerns. We regard them as, without exception, equal in literary excellence and general make-up to the best in the land in their respective classes. They are also relatively as cheap as any—considerably cheaper than the average. They are moreover, and especially, Methodistic; and as they are set for the defense and advancement of every interest of our Church, they are entitled to our earnest and constant support. While we do not object to our preachers or members subscribing for any other really Christian periodicals, yet we do believe that we owe to those of our own Church our first support, and we owe it to the *Western Christian Advocate* that it should not be displaced from any of our families, even by other papers of our own Church. It is our fixed belief that at least one of our weekly papers should be in each home of our Church, and to the accomplishment of this purpose we do mutually pledge our persistent efforts.

We congratulate the Agents of the Western Methodist Book Concern that, notwithstanding the financial pressure of last year, and despite the loss at Chicago, St. Louis, and Atlanta of nearly \$5,000, that they are enabled to show a net profit of \$16,896. There is, however, the same old sore of accumulating notes and accounts, which for many years have drained the strength of our Book Concern. We find that of the

\$319,922 due the Western Book Concern from these sources, \$7,421.86 was on the first of September owed by members of this Conference. Of this, \$1,033.12 has since been paid, leaving still due \$6,388.74. Of this amount, considerably more than half, or \$3,698.61, is owed by fourteen members. Some of these notes, or accounts, of our Conference members have been due for over ten years. It is an injustice to the great majority of us, who pay as we go, to be suspected of dereliction in this matter. This, too, must be, and is, a serious embarrassment to the business of the Book Concern, and if continued must positively jeopardize its present first-class business reputation. We therefore recommend to our Book Agents that they do impartially and immediately carry into effect the following resolution of the Book Committee at its session last February, namely:

"That the Book Agents be instructed to carry out rigidly and forcibly the instruction given to them by this Committee at our annual session in February, 1877, whereby they shall require the payment in full of all that is due by any one at the sessions of the respective Conferences, and if any account is settled by an approved note for ninety days, and such note is not paid at maturity, *no further credit shall be given* to the maker of such note, nor to any one who has not paid his account."

We do also recommend to the Book Agents that they give immediate notice to the members of our Conference who have neglected to settle their accounts at this session, that if they are not met within a reasonable period—say ninety days—that they will be proceeded against in the same manner as other business houses collect their notes or accounts.

We do also recommend that the General Conference be petitioned to see that our entire Book Concern business East and West be brought to a STRICTLY CASH business on and after January 1, 1881, at the latest.

THOMAS COLLETT, J. F. MARLAY,  
R. K. DEEM, JNO. PEARSON.

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## REPORT ON THE OBSERVANCE OF THE SABBATH.

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THE necessity of the Sabbath as a day of rest is founded in the nature of man. God has so constituted us that we need it. The rest and recuperation of the night do not restore the waste of the previous day. The only way to prevent an abridgment of life, and to secure the greatest longevity, is to observe properly the rest provided in the holy Sabbath. Experience shows that the man that works six days in the week will accomplish more than he who works seven. It can not be denied that, for the promotion of the best physical interests of our race, the rest of the Sabbath is absolutely demanded; but especially for the promotion of man's spiritual and eternal interests is the weekly rest-day necessary. God instituted the day at the close of creation-week, "blessed and sanctified" it to the good of man, thus making it coeval with the race. Jesus said, "The Sabbath was made for man." It was not made for one nation or age, but for all the descendants of Adam to the end of time. This institution God recognized at the giving of the law on Sinai, thus putting

into the written code what he had already written in man's nature. The moral code can never be modified, amended, or repealed, and is binding upon all men. The obligation to keep the Sabbath, therefore, is not based upon mere expediency or human authority, but on an explicit and formal command of Almighty God, and in its very nature is perpetual. While under the Christian dispensation the day is relieved from the heavy ceremonials of the former dispensation, its moral obligation is as binding as when it was written by the finger of God upon tables of stone.

The divine sanction for the change of the day of rest from the seventh to the first day of the week is furnished in the resurrection and subsequent appearances of our Lord on that day, and its observance by the apostolic Church.

The Sabbath is the poor man's defense against the demands of conscienceless capitalists and soulless corporations, both of which unite to crush and degrade him to a position but little above that of a slave or a beast of burden. But the Sabbath must be observed not merely as a day of rest from secular toil, but also as a religious institution. Let it become a day of rest and amusement, and the most important results it was intended to produce will be lost, and the day itself would soon be abolished. The proper observance of the Sabbath is necessary to the promotion of our national life. The great French statesman, Montalembert, said truly, "There is no religion without worship, and there is no worship without a Sabbath."

1. *Resolved*, That the Lord's-day, answering to the Jewish Sabbath and consisting in the sanctification of one-seventh of our time for holy uses, is indispensable to the success of the Church and the perpetuity and universal spread of Christianity.

2. *Resolved*, That the attempt now being made by a part of our foreign population, joined with an equally dissolute class of native citizens, to blot out Sunday from the calendar of American institutions, threatens the most serious consequences to the Church and state, and therefore should be counteracted by the most prompt, vigorous, and persistent efforts.

3. *Resolved*, That we contemplate with alarm the increasing disregard of the Sabbath, every-where made manifest in the operation of railroads, running of steamboats, carrying on secular pursuits, taking pleasure excursions, marching in so-called processions, seeking worldly amusements, etc., and we pledge ourselves as ministers to employ our best efforts to discourage and abolish these crying evils.

4. *Resolved*, That we deprecate the State law which requires regiments to go into camps for a term including a Sabbath as unnecessary and demoralizing, because multitudes visit these camps on the Lord's-day with no motive other than pleasure and traffic. Indeed, we condemn and remonstrate against all laws as subversive not only of Church worship, but also of public morals, that necessitate or allow the practical abolition of the civil Sabbath. We mean such enactments as require or permit the transmission or opening of the mails, the transportation and traffic in certain goods, the opening and closing of legislatures, State and national. We therefore will join all good citizens in seeking the repeal

or modification of such legislation as tends to subvert the Sabbath institution, and labor to secure the enactment of such statutes as will promote the legal recognition and popular observance of the Sabbath.

5. *Resolved*, That we condemn as flagrant violations of the Sabbath law, the opening of shops, stores, tobacco and whisky stands, and even drug-stores except for legitimate medicinal purposes; while it is adding only sin to sin and criminality to crime to open theaters, saloons, beer-gardens, race-courses, and shows on God's holy day.

6. *Resolved*, That while we rejoice in the revival of camp-meetings, and feel devoutly thankful for the great good done by them, we nevertheless are profoundly convinced that, in the present emergency of Sabbath desecration, they should be conducted with a most sensitive and jealous regard to the sanctity of the Lord's-day.

7. *Resolved*, That we advise our Churches to hold camp-meetings between the Sabbaths.

8. *Resolved*, That when camp-meetings include the Sabbath, we earnestly recommend that the gates be closed throughout the Sabbath day; but if the gates be opened for the admission of those in the immediate vicinity, we insist that the gates be closed at 8 A. M., and remain closed until 5 P. M., and that persons be admitted only on tickets previously procured.

9. *Resolved*, That we recognize camp-meetings as an efficient agent for the awakening and conversion of sinners and the sanctification of believers, and, with such management as we have recommended, we earnestly advise their continuance, and pledge our hearty support.

10. *Resolved*, That we affectionately ask our brethren comprising camp-meeting associations and corporations, in their arrangements for camp-meetings, to respect the convictions of their ministers as set forth in these resolutions.

G. MOODY,	A. LOWREY,	} <i>Ministers.</i>
J. M. WALDEN,	A. B. LEONARD,	
S. D. CLAYTON,	C. W. KETCHAM,	
CHAS. FERGUSON,	J. F. CONREY,	
J. N. IRVIN,		
H. ELLIOTT,	W. B. SELLERS,	} <i>Laymen.</i>
GEO. B. JOHNSTON,	D. W. RAWLINGS,	
C. S. CRAIGH,	L. F. FENTON,	

## REPORT ON PARSONAGES.

WHEREAS, the life of the Methodist ministry is distinctively itinerant, thus precluding the possibility of a permanent home; and *whereas*, about fifty charges within the bounds of this Conference are without parsonages; and *whereas*, many of our parsonages are neither comfortable nor respectable; therefore,

*Resolved*, 1. That we recommend that all our charges provide themselves with comfortable, convenient, and respectable parsonages, and see that the same are kept in good repair.

2. That all our parsonages be furnished with heavy furniture, necessary for domestic use.

3. That the presiding elders and pastors be requested to co-operate with the several charges in carrying into effect the foregoing resolutions.

T. E. FIDLER, *Chairman.*

J. M'K. SHULTZ, *Secretary.*

### TREASURER'S REPORT OF THE PREACHERS' RELIEF SOCIETY.

THE abstract of the fiscal report of the Preachers' Relief Society of the Cincinnati Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church for the year ending September 3, 1879, is as follows:

#### Assets.

Loan notes, secured by mortgage on real estate.....	\$7,950 00
Loan notes, secured by good personal indorsement.....	5,612 40
Notes given by donors, for the present unproductive.....	2,000 00
Donation from D. A. Lowrey.....	100 00
Annual Subscription of members.....	64 00
Collection at Anniversary Meeting.....	85 60

\$15,811 40

Interest due up to date..... 1,000 00

Disbursed to applicants..... 450 00

WM. YOUNG, *Treasurer.*

### REPORT OF CONFERENCE TRUSTEES.

THE Annual meeting of the Trustees of Cincinnati Conference was held in Urbana, O., September 3, 1879, the following members being present: Revs. W. Young, J. T. Bail, W. Herr, and S. A. Cairns. After prayer, the following proceedings were had:

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. The Treasurer presented a detailed report, which, on motion, was approved, and of which the following is an abstract:

Amount of invested funds.....\$8,937 00

#### Receipts for Year ending September 3, 1879.

Interest on sundry notes.....	\$414 50
Rent, Camp Dennison property.....	24 00
"Mears Bequest," per W. Herr.....	131 66

\$570 16

#### Disbursements for Year ending September 3, 1879.

Tax and traveling expenses.....	\$22 00
Paid Conference Stewards.....	416 50
Paid Conference Stewards, "Mears Bequest".....	131 66

\$570 16

The following persons were elected Trustees for the ensuing year: Revs. W. Young, W. Herr, J. T. Bail, J. W. Weakley, W. L. Hypes, W. H. Sutherland; Laymen, Jno. W. Dale, S. A. Cairns.

The new board was organized as follows:

*President*—W. YOUNG.

*Secretary*—W. HERR.

*Treasurer*—J. T. BAIL.

*Financial Advisory Committee*—President, Secretary, and J. W. DALE.

There being no further business, on motion, the Board adjourned.

W. HERR, *Secretary*.

The election and reorganization of the Board were reported to and confirmed by the Conference.

## MEMIORS.

### REV. JOSEPH M'D. MATHEWS, D. D.

REV. JOSEPH M'DOWELL MATHEWS, D. D., son of John and Sallie Mathews, was born in Augusta County, Virginia, December 8, 1804, and died at his residence in Hillsboro, Ohio, August 5, 1879.

When he was ten years old his parents moved to Kentucky, and settled on a farm. Fortunately he was favored by Dr. Lewis Marshall, brother of Chief-justice Marshall, with the privileges of his private school or academy, a school said to be very thorough in its course of instruction. Here he acquired that degree of culture which justified the Augusta College in conferring on him the honorary degree of "A. M." He received the title of "D. D." from the Ohio University.

He joined the Methodist Episcopal Church before he was 18 years of age, and began occasionally to exhort. In 1825 he was licensed to preach. In 1827 he began a school, or academy, for boys in Hillsboro, Ohio, which he continued until 1831, when he resigned his charge of the academy, and joined the Ohio Annual Conference. His first charge was Chillicothe, Ohio, where he spent two pleasant and successful years. In 1833 he was stationed in Cincinnati, and during the Winter of that year his health failed. His colleagues in Cincinnati were James B. Finley, John Collins, Dr. Thomas Sargent, and Joseph M. Trimble. Thomas A. Morris (afterwards Bishop) was then Presiding Elder of the Cincinnati District.

After his health failed he retired to a farm, where he spent nearly six years. Then, casting about to see in what field he could accomplish most good for the Master, he chose the educational work, and in 1839 opened the Oakland Female Seminary, where he remained successfully prosecuting his work until 1856, when he took charge of the Hillsboro Female College. In 1860 he resigned the presidency of the college, and took charge of the Jesamine Female College, Nicholasville, Kentucky. He opened his school in Kentucky with fine prospects of success, but the war soon threw every thing into such confusion that in 1863 he returned to Hillsboro, and opened a private boarding school. In 1872 the



Presidency of the Hillsboro Female College being made vacant by the resignation of Rev. David Copeland, A. M., Dr. Mathews again accepted the presidency of this institution, where he remained until September, 1877, when, on account of failing health and feebleness, he retired to his home in the suburbs of Hillsboro, where, in the bosom of his family, who watched and cared for him with unwearied attention, he closed his long and useful life.

Dr. Mathews was married three times. October 28, 1828, he was married to Miss Elizabeth A. Barry, a daughter of Andrew Barry. In March, 1852, he was called to part with this, the wife of his youth. In 1855 he was united in marriage with Mrs. Martha Sanders, sister of Judge P. B. Swing. In 1858 she died, leaving two children, a son, Joseph, who died in his 19th year while attending Oberlin College; and Sallie, who survives, and is his only living child. December 25, 1859, he was united in marriage with Mrs. Mary B. Harman, who survives to mourn his loss and cherish his sainted memory.

Dr. Mathews has been long and favorably known as one of the leading educators of Ohio, and especially in the education of young ladies, for which he seemed to possess a peculiar fitness. He combined mildness and firmness in a remarkable degree. To the young women under his care he was both an instructor and a father. He had a clear and well-stored mind, full of common sense, and rich in classic lore. He was gentlemanly in his manners, reserved, and yet approachable. All who associated with him respected and loved him. He was free from piques and eccentricities, and through all the years of his life, as a minister and teacher, he was "blameless and without reproach." In the later years of his life, on account of debility, he seldom preached, but when he did all ears were open to catch the feeble utterances, and even whispers, which fell from his lips. His clear views of God and truth, his rich stores of learning and wisdom, all adorned and beautified with a saintly life, made him a power in the community where he had lived so long and was known so well.

He has not lived in vain. He has prepared and sent out scores of young women, who have become centers of power in their new homes. And in some instances he has graduated two generations—the mothers and their daughters—so that his name will live through the years. "Though dead he yet speaketh." While his own voice is hushed and his lips silent in the stillness of death hundreds of living tongues trained by him do speak and tell of God's goodness and his power.

Dr. Mathews has set in operation causes which will continue to work for God and the Church until the reapers shall gather in the final harvest, when he can say: "Here am I, Lord, and those whom thou hast given me." There is a sublimity in such a life—a life spent in preparing the heads and hearts of sisters and mothers to act well their parts in life's great drama. He died of cancer. Worn down with age and toil and care he was assailed by a cancerous affection in the face, which developed gradually and steadily; and after a lingering and protracted illness he closed his useful and beautiful life, and passed up to join the many friends dear to his heart in that country where "the inhabitants shall not say I am sick."

His last sickness and death were in beautiful harmony with his former life. In the bosom of his family, without much pain, in the full possession of his powers, cheered with the frequent visits of his friends, he gradually descended into the valley. It was with difficulty he could be heard, on account of debility, but he again and again expressed himself in the fullest assurance of hope. When he saw that this was to be his last illness he gave all into the hands of God, laid hold of Christ as the Paschal lamb, his only sacrifice. God heard his prayers, and removed all darkness and doubt and fears; and he rested from that on like a babe in the arms of its mother. Calm and peaceful and ready, he only awaited the time of his departure. During his last sickness he frequently quoted our old, familiar hymns, such as—

“Oh, would my Lord his servant meet,  
My soul would stretch her wings in haste,  
Fly fearless through death's iron gate,  
Nor fear the terrors as she passed.”

And that hymn of Charles Wesley's—

“In age and feebleness extreme  
Who shall a helpless worm redeem?  
Jesus, my only hope, thou art  
Strength of my failing flesh and heart;  
Oh, could I catch one smile from thee,  
And drop into eternity.”

This hymn he often quoted as expressing his condition and his feelings.

At the annual meeting of the Alumnae of the Hillsboro Female College, June 11, 1879, Dr. Mathews sent by President Loyd the following message, which thrilled all hearts: “May you have success in all good work, and help to contribute to the conversion of the world. Tell them Jesus supports me during my sickness.”

The expressions that fell from his lips were gems of beauty and of worth. We only need mention as specimens a few spoken the last three or four weeks of his life. During one visit he said: “I am wonderfully sustained—sky clear—thank God.” Another visit: “A thousand ways has providence to bring believers home.” “Christ sustains my soul.” “For six months there has not been a cloud to darken my sky, through the merits of Christ.” Still later he spoke of Christ stilling the tempest and quoted, “Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints.” Among his last utterances was this, so appropriate and beautiful: “Almost home! Almost home!” repeating it several times. “Life's fitful fever is over,” and Dr. Mathews is now safe at home.

“Servant of God, well done!  
Thy glorious warfare's past;  
The battle's fought, the race is won,  
And thou art crowned at last.”

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**REV. ALEXANDER MEHARRY, D. D.**

REV. ALEXANDER MEHARRY, D. D., was born in Adams County, O., October 17, 1813, and died at the residence of Mr. H. Unger, in Ger-

mantown, November 18, 1878, in the sixty-fifth year of his age, and the thirty-seventh of his ministry.

Dr. Meharry was the youngest child of Alexander and Jane Meharry, to whom were born eight children—seven sons and one daughter. His parents emigrated to this country from Ireland in 1794, and settled in Pennsylvania; and in 1798 they removed to this State, where his father purchased a farm including 350 acres of land, located on Eagle Creek in Adams County.

His father, who prior to his removal from Ireland was a member of the Methodist Church, and an earnest Christian man, was killed by the fall of a tree in the Summer of 1813, while returning to his home from a camp-meeting held near New Market.

His mother, who was an excellent Christian woman, full of zeal and devotion to the cause of Christ, and to whom he was indebted for his early religious training, died in great peace in 1844. Brother Meharry received his first religious impressions in early childhood, which impressions were encouraged and strengthened by the wise counsel and fervent prayers of his Christian mother until they resulted in his conversion, which occurred in his thirteenth year at a camp-meeting held at Ash Ridge, and where he also united with the Church.

His convictions of a call to the work of the ministry followed soon after his conversion, and were deep and pungent, and grew steadily upon him, though he strove to free himself from them. In 1833, in his twentieth year, he went to Ripley, and became a clerk in the business house of Mr. Archibald Liggett, and subsequently a partner with him in business.

During these years his convictions of a call to the work of the ministry constantly followed him. In the house of God, in the hurry and rush of business, and in the silent watches of the night these words were ever ringing in his ears: "Woe is me if I preach not the Gospel."

His convictions having become too strong for further resistance, without imperiling his relations to God, he yielded to them, closed his business, and on the 24th day of July, 1841, received license to preach at a quarterly-meeting held in Decatur, Ohio, Rev. Michael Marlay, Presiding Elder. In the Fall of the same year he was admitted on trial in the Ohio Conference, and on the 14th day of September he started from Ripley to his first circuit, stopped a few hours at the house of his widowed mother, received her blessing, and then, with tears in his eyes, turned away from the home of his childhood to engage in the work of an itinerant minister.

His first appointment was Blendon Circuit, with Rev. James Donahoe as senior colleague. Afterward he filled in succession the following appointments: Bainbridge Circuit, 1842; Jacksonville, 1843; Deer Creek, 1844; Frankfort, two years, 1845-46; and Augusta Circuit, Ky., 1847.

He was admitted into full connection, and ordained deacon by Bishop Soule in Chillicothe in 1843, and in 1845 was ordained elder by Bishop Hamline in Cincinnati.

In 1844, August 13th, he was united in marriage with Mrs. Anna R. Boswell, daughter of Robert Worthington, Esq. This union was terminated by the death of his wife June 22d, 1847.

In 1848-49 he had charge of New Street and East Cincinnati Mission. His next appointment was as Agent for the Ohio Wesleyan University. In this work he spent six years, part of which time he was also Agent for the Springfield High School.

Having lived a widower nine years, on May 1, 1856, he married Miss Eliza A., daughter of Mr. E. Ogden, Esq., of Springfield, O.

His next appointments were, Franklin, 1857-58; Middletown, 1859-60; Finley Chapel, Cincinnati, 1861-62; Wilmington, 1863-65. In 1866 he was appointed as Agent of the Cincinnati Wesleyan College, giving two years to the agency. In 1868-70, Eaton. In 1871 he was appointed Presiding Elder on Ripley District, and in 1872-73 he served as Presiding Elder on the Springfield District. By the close of his second year on this district his health had so far failed that the Conference in 1874 gave him a superannuated relation, which he held until the session in 1878, when, at his request, he was made effective, and appointed Financial Agent of Ohio Wesleyan University.

As a preacher brother Meharry was always plain and practical, bold and uncompromising, never weaving garlands of flowers to please the people, nor aiming to tickle the ear and charm the fancy at the sacrifice of souls; never uttering soothing lullabys amid Sinai's thunderings, nor smoothing the paths of transgressors with apologies, nor paving their way to hell with flowers; but ever preaching as a dying man to dying men, declaring "the whole counsel of God;" advancing no adventurous positions, but "holding fast the form of sound words;" commending himself to the consciences of his hearers in the sight of God; he was an able minister of the New Testament, and God wonderfully blessed his ministry. And now, while the companions of his former labors raise upon earth the battle shout, he is away with "the Captain of our salvation," wearing the conqueror's crown, and enjoying the victor's reward. His is not a starless crown.

Dr. Meharry was a truly *consecrated* man. In the early years of his ministry he came to the point where he could truthfully say: "Here I give my all to thee." More than a tenth of all he made he gave to the cause of Christ and suffering humanity. He said to the writer: "When I began to give a tenth then the Lord gave me prosperity." Some years he gave all he made:

Brother Meharry was a man of *great energy*—an *indefatigable worker*. When the Official Board of Eaton Church contemplated the erection of their present church edifice they asked the Bishop for the appointment of Dr. Meharry as their pastor. Their request was granted, and during his pastorate of three years he succeeded in erecting a beautiful church and parsonage, at a cost of \$40,000.

November 15th he left his pleasant home in Eaton to spend the Sabbath in Germantown. As he parted with his wife—a noble, Christian woman, who for 23 years had encouraged and assisted him in his work—knowing his feebleness, she said: "Do n't try to preach." He replied: "It won't hurt me to preach twenty minutes." At Carlisle Station he was met by Rev. W. Thirkield, who conveyed him in his carriage to the home of Mrs. Maggie C. Kempt, the father of whom he had received into the Church some years ago. He spent a very pleasant evening with

the family, closing with an earnest prayer before retiring. He was not feeling well, and his rest was disturbed somewhat during the night.

Sabbath morning, after breakfast, he felt refreshed, and expressed a desire to occupy the pulpit, and talk to the people for twenty minutes. After the opening services, conducted by the pastor, Dr. Meharry arose, and announced for his text these words (Ecc. ix, 10): "Whatsoever thy hands findeth to do, do it with thy might, for there is no work nor device nor knowledge nor wisdom in the grave whither thou goest." The first words that fell from his lips were solemn and impressive, and in the light of the next twenty-four hours proved only too deeply prophetic: "I speak as a dying man to dying men." The entire discourse was an earnest, forcible, and solemn appeal to the Church, enforced by pertinent passages from the Word, and by stirring illustrations and incidents from his own extended experience in the ministry; also pleading with sinners in his usual earnest and impressive way. Absorbed in his great theme, forgetful of self in his desire to do good, led on by the close attention and sympathy of his audience, he gave no thought to the weakness of his body, but preached in an earnest and impassionate manner for forty minutes, closing his sermon with the words, "I have preached as a dying man to dying men," and then sank upon the sofa exhausted, clasping with both hands his head, as if in great pain.

Monday morning, though feeble, he was in good spirits, and no unfavorable symptoms manifested themselves, until at breakfast he was suddenly taken ill, but soon recovered sufficiently to take some food. He then insisted on returning home, and had taken his seat in the carriage, when his pain increased, and he was compelled to return to the house. A physician was called, but he pronounced his case hopeless.

A telegram was sent to his wife, who immediately hastened, hoping to render assistance, or at least receive his dying benediction; but ere she reached his side the angel of death had placed his signet on his brow, sealing his lips in silence, his heart had ceased to beat, and the pure spirit of Alexander Meharry had soared up to God.

"His labor with his life laid down,  
And ceased at once to work and live."

The consistency of his profession, the dignity of his deportment, the depth of his piety, his firmness of purpose, integrity of heart, fidelity to duty, burning zeal for the cause of God, untiring and indefatigable labors as a minister of Jesus Christ, and tender and loving faithfulness as a pastor endeared him to all committed to his care; and thousands will bless God in the day of eternity for the benefits received through his instrumentality.

His remains were conveyed to his late home in Eaton, where appropriate funeral services were held, conducted by the writer, assisted by brethren of the Conference, and attended by a large circle of relatives, and also by the citizens of Eaton and vicinity, filling the capacious and elegant church, which was erected during his pastorate of three years, which closed in 1870, and which stands to-day as a monument of his untiring toil.

T. S. COWDEN.

**REV. JOSEPH ADAMS REEDER.**

REV. JOSEPH ADAMS REEDER was born in Lebanon, O., September 17, 1797. His father's name was David. When seventeen he was indentured an apprentice to Thomas Sullivan, of Cincinnati, who covenanted and engaged "to use his utmost endeavors to teach, or cause to be taught, the said apprentice in the art and trade of a taylor, which he now uses, with all things thereunto belonging; and will also find and allow unto said apprentice meat, drink, washing, lodging, and apparel, both linen and woollen, and all other necessities fit and convenient for such apprentice," and he "doth further agree to teach, or cause the said apprentice to be taught, to read, write, and cypher as far as the rule of three, and that at the expiration of the said term he will give said apprentice a freedom suit of clothes." He was married April 2, 1818, to Miss Olive Langdon, and settled in Montgomery. There was much sickness and many deaths, and as the Presbyterian pastor lived several miles distant, and Mr. Reeder was the only man that professed religion in the village, he was frequently called upon to pray with the sick and at the burials. He instituted a Methodist prayer-meeting, which was frequently annoyed by wicked men till a justice of the peace volunteered to keep order. They soon secured week-night preaching as an appointment on the circuit, and afterward an hour on the Sabbath. He was licensed to exhort, and made frequent appointments within the bounds of Miami Circuit, and made it part of his business to induce the people to pay the circuit preachers promptly. At Chester, February 28, 1829, he was licensed to preach. At the session of the Ohio Conference, in 1829, he was received on trial and appointed to Greenville Circuit, which included Preble and Darke Counties, the western halves of Montgomery and Miami, and the northern half of Butler. He had twenty-nine appointments to be filled in twenty-eight days, and three hundred and sixty miles to travel. He received \$113 salary, and had an increase of one hundred and thirteen members. In 1830 he was sent to Brush Creek Circuit, with twenty-eight appointments, which were soon increased to thirty-two. He had a parsonage furnished him at West Union, and received \$182. 1831 found him serving Hillsboro Circuit, with thirty-four appointments, soon increased to thirty-eight. In 1832 he was appointed to Deer Creek Circuit, and at the close of the year his life-time rheumatism compelled him to ask a supernumerary relation. His friends on Miami Circuit loaned him money that he might enter upon a business among them. He preached often, and was the unfailing friend of the circuit preachers. In 1835 he reported himself effective, and was appointed to Wilmington Circuit; in 1836 to Eaton Circuit, a part of his first circuit. Here he found two class-leaders keeping taverns and selling liquor freely, and a steward owning and operating a distillery. He met the evil and conquered it. In 1838 he was sent to Circleville Circuit, and found the society rent on the slavery question. He made peace, and prosperity followed. In 1839 he traveled Piketon Circuit; in 1840, Washington Circuit; but Greenfield was made a station, and he preached there, the presiding elder appointing another man to the circuit. In 1841 he served Franklinton Circuit, though much afflicted bodily. At the close of the year he took



a supernumerary relation a second time, and moved to a little farm in the bounds of his favorite Miami Circuit. In 1842 he preached regularly at Madisonville in connection with the circuit preachers, so that that people had preaching every two weeks. In 1843 he was made effective, and appointed to Miami Circuit. 1844 found him with Jacob Young as colleague, on North Bend Circuit. Here his life-long disease became so inveterate that he was sometimes carried from his horse to the pulpit, where he sat and preached. At the end of the year he was superannuated, and in 1847, at his own request, was located. By the Cincinnati Conference, in 1871, he was readmitted, but remained superannuated till his death, which occurred November 24, 1878, at Westwood, in Hamilton County. He kept a very strict account of his receipts and expenditures during his "effective" life, and found that he spent \$262 more than he received. He was a good man, his piety being of that cheerful type which diffused encouragement. His sermons were always edifying, his exhortations were tender and yet impressive; his prayers were the outbreathing of a soul that had much to do with God. The soul of honor in his business, the world respected him; always at his post, always consistent, the Church loved him. The last day of his life he left the family room at about 3½ P. M. to lie down in his own room. After a short time his daughter-in-law went in to see if he was comfortable, and found that he had passed through a severe hemorrhage. At 10 o'clock he was unconscious, and in a short time breathed out his life at the end of eighty-one years of natural life. For more than sixty years he was a happy Christian.

S. WEEKS.

#### REV. JOHN CAMPBELL DEEM.

REV. JOHN CAMPBELL DEEM was born in Campbell County, Kentucky, August 23, 1802, and died in Eaton, Ohio, January 21, 1879, in the seventy-seventh year of his age.

In the Fall of 1806 his parents, who were devout members of the Methodist Episcopal Church, emigrated to Ohio, and settled in Butler County, where they purchased a few acres of land and built a log-cabin, which was immediately opened as a house for preaching and for prayer, as a resting-place for the weary itinerant, a home where God's ambassadors were always welcome.

Surrounded by religious influences, blest with the example, counsel, and prayers of Christian parents, the subject of this sketch received in early childhood his first religious impressions, which impressions were deepened by those men of God who made his father's house a stopping-place, and where they preached the Word of Life.

His conversion, clear and powerful, occurred in his nineteenth year, at a camp-meeting held on what was then known as White Water Circuit, conducted by Revs. Samuel Baker and William H. Raper. His convictions of a call to the work of the ministry followed soon after his conversion.

In 1824, February 12th, he was united in marriage with Miss Anna, daughter of Rev. Moses Crume, of the Ohio Conference.

September 29, 1826, he received license as a local preacher from the

district conference, which held its session in Cincinnati. In 1830 he was ordained deacon by Bishop M'Kendree, and in 1835 was ordained elder by Bishop Andrew.

During these years, serving the Church with fidelity as a local preacher, he became financially embarrassed, lost his farm, and was greatly bereaved by the death of his wife.

His second marriage, which was with Miss Sarah D. Ailes, occurred in 1849.

In 1854 he was received on trial by the Cincinnati Conference, and appointed to New Paris Circuit. Afterwards he filled in succession the following appointments: Merrittstown mission two years, 1855-56; New Carlisle, 1857-58; New Burlington, one year, 1859; and Lewisburg, two years, 1860-61. Here he was again bereaved by the death of his wife. His next appointment was Camden Circuit, two years, 1862-63. During his second year on this circuit he had a revival at Camden, resulting in one hundred and six accessions to the Church, most of whom were converted.

August 20, 1863, he was united in marriage with Miss Mary Littell.

In 1864-65 he had charge of Concord Circuit; 1866-67, North Lewisburg; 1868-69, Fletcher; 1870-71, Catawba; and in 1872-73, Addison Circuit. In 1874 he received a superannuated relation, having traveled twenty years.

At the close of the session he went to the home of his son, Rev. R. K. Deem, of the Cincinnati Conference, where he had a severe spell of sickness, and where he remained until October 8th, when he moved to Eaton, there to close his long and useful life, surrounded by a large circle of his relatives and friends.

As a preacher, Brother Deem was practical rather than ornate, his command of vigorous and expressive language was ready, and while there was apparent no effort at rhetorical effect, his utterances were always chaste and often eloquent. Earnest almost to vehemence, he usually secured and retained the attention of his congregation, and seldom lacked for hearers.

His preaching was eminently Scriptural, his great familiarity with the Word of God, enabling him to quote most aptly from the best of all writers—THE INSPIRED. His conceptions of truth were clear and definite, and his convictions of the great truths of God's Word were so profound that there was no uncertain sound in the Gospel message as he proclaimed it. He was, like many of the preachers of his day, often doctrinal, urging with great zeal the peculiar doctrines of his Church, especially the divinity of Christ, the universality of the atonement, free grace, justification by faith, spiritual regeneration, and FULL salvation.

In exhortation he was always effective, and when enjoying, as was usual, the full baptism of the Holy Ghost, was often wonderfully eloquent. Many of his appeals to the unconverted seemed almost irresistible. Indeed, in the days of his power, it was not infrequent for persons of this class to cry aloud for mercy while he spoke. The late Rev. Wm. Simmons, who once heard him in one of the happiest of his efforts of this kind, declared that while he was speaking he felt that he was as fully inspired as were the apostles on the day of Pentecost.

For two years after he settled in Eaton he was able to attend Church. He occupied an arm-chair on the platform to the right of the pulpit, and Dr. Meharry one on the left, and, like Aaron and Hur, they stayed up the hands of the pastor, and greatly aided him in his work.

The last year of his life, though utterly helpless, he was uniformly cheerful. I never saw a cloud on his brow or heard a word of complaint from his lips. He was happy from morning till night, and from night till morning. Christ was in his thoughts by day, and in his dreams and visions by night. He was "a good man and full of the Holy Ghost." His testimony, given to the very last, was clear and full. An abiding peace, a constant joy. His sun went down without a cloud.

T. S. C.

#### REV. ELIJAH H. FIELD.

REV. ELIJAH H. FIELD was born in Sharon, Vt., October 3, 1796; came to Ohio in 1820; was converted and united with the Methodist Episcopal Church in 1821, and in the same year was licensed to exhort; was subsequently licensed to preach, and was admitted into the Ohio Conference in 1824; and was married to Miss Ann Taylor June 8, 1828, by Rev. William Simmons. From the time of his admission to the Ohio Conference until 1866, he was an active, laborious, and successful traveling preacher. During that period of forty-two years he served the following charges: Deerfield, Sandusky, Black River, Milford, Greenville, Oxford, Adelphi, Gallipolis, Burlington, Chester, Kanawha District, Deer Creek, Milton, Tremont, Fletcher, East Liberty, North Lewisburg, Worthington, Dunbarton, Rockville, Aberdeen, Winchester, Tremont, Vienna, Jamestown, Union, Lynchburg, New Market, and New Lexington.

These fields of labor, though extensive, were well and thoroughly cultivated, and many of them were made to yield abundant fruits to God's glory. The most laborious, and in some respects the most important, of any of them was the Kanawha District, which at that time extended over ten of the mountainous counties of West Virginia. The district was so mountainous that it could be traveled only on horseback or on foot, and was so extensive that the presiding elder was obliged to be absent from home sometimes for six weeks together. Once, while on a long trip, a deep snow fell, followed by intense cold. The roads up and down the mountain steeps were difficult and dangerous, and Mrs. Field knew that the drifting snow would render them still more so; and, although in prayer and faith she had committed her husband to the care of her covenant-keeping God, it was impossible for her to drive away the fear that, in all probability, he had perished, or would perish, in the wilderness. He had named the day when he expected to be at home—and he was remarkably prompt in keeping his engagements—but when that day passed, and another, and still another, and yet he did not arrive, that fear became painfully intense, and was shared by her neighbors. A kind-hearted brother harnessed up his team, and, providing every comfort that was practicable under the circumstances, volunteered to go with Mrs. Field in search of her husband, determined, if possible, to find him, either dead or alive. But just as they were ready to start, the presiding

elder arrived safe and sound, though greatly fatigued. On his way home he came to the Kanawha River, which, at that time and place, could be crossed only on the ice. Recent rains had swollen the river, and there was a space of open water of several feet between the shore and the ice on each side. What could he do? His wife and children were on the other side of the river, and would expect him at the time appointed. But to attempt to cross looked dangerous. Common, worldly prudence would say, "Remain on this side." But all that little world of love which he called "home" was on the other side, and that attraction urged him forward. He procured planks and laid them across the open water between the shore and the ice, and, leading his horse over this temporary bridge, he reached the ice in safety; but in attempting to cross the open space in the same way on the other side, his horse fell into the stream, and was saved only by the greatest exertion. In another field of labor, while absent from home, one of his children died; and the distance was so great and the way so difficult that word could not reach the father, and did not reach him, until seven days after his child had been laid in the grave. Other illustrations of the hardships and perils of the itinerancy in that day might be given, if necessary. These are only specimens of what were common in the heroic age of Methodism.

His last pastoral charge was New Lexington Circuit, Hillsboro District, in 1866. In the Spring of that year he became convinced that he was physically unable to do the full work of a traveling preacher. Hence he felt it his duty to ask for a superannuated relation, which he did at the next Conference. His letter to the Conference, asking for a change in his relation, was a model of good sense, Christian submission, and literary excellence, and attracted unusual attention. The Conference, of course, granted his request, and his relation as a superannuate was continued from year to year for twelve years. During that time he resided in St. Paris, and, though able to preach but seldom, the silent influence of his example was felt and recognized by all classes.

About three months before his death, somewhat unaccountably, the weary wheels of life began to revolve slowly. No clearly marked disease was discoverable, but only a general prostration of strength and vitality. In a few weeks he rallied a little, and for a time was able to walk about the house, though he did not regain his former strength. About ten days prior to his death he was again prostrated, and continued to grow weaker until October 1, 1878, when he sweetly fell asleep in Jesus.

Brother Field was a man of marked intelligence. In science and literature he was exact and critical. On all subjects which interest intelligent men he was a close and original thinker. In theology and philosophy he called no man master; but whatever the Bible taught—the Bible interpreted by that reason with which the Creator had endowed him—that he received implicitly as the truth of God. To that authority he bowed, and on that Rock he built his hopes of everlasting life. His Christian character and life were distinguished by firmness. He was not emotional, but there was an unyielding tenacity in his faith and in his faithful observance of Christian duties. He had some peculiarities of mind and habits. Though always "sober-minded," he was never sad

or gloomy. Cheerfulness—a sort of humorous, playful cheerfulness—was habitual to him, and was one of his marked characteristics. And that element in his character was a constant well-spring of joy, diffusing light and gladness wherever he went. He was kind and generous. No man was more ready to bestow favors upon others to the full extent of his abilities and opportunities than he. In his relations as husband, father, neighbor, and friend, he was just what one would expect in a conscientious and manly Christian. In the Church and in all Church duties his example was worthy the imitation of all. At the public services and at the class-meeting his seat was never vacant when he was able to be present.

During all his sickness, as well as during the fifty-seven years of his Christian life, his faith in Christ was unwavering. In his last sickness he talked but little, because of the great difficulty of articulation; but whatever he did say in relation to his religious state showed that his faith was unyielding and his hopes bright and buoyant. When very near the brink of the river of death he was asked, “Is Jesus still precious?” to which he promptly responded, “Yes.” This was the last distinct utterance that was heard from his lips on earth.

M. DUSTIN.

#### MRS. LYDIA K. HARRIS.

LYDIA KENAGY HARRIS, daughter of Samuel and Mary Kenagy, was born near Shippensburg, Penn., September 28, 1831, and died in Bluffton, Indiana, November 18th. In her early childhood she moved with her parents to Ohio; and in her 12th year she sought that heart-renewing power which shed its luster over her after life, and made her domestic and social relations so beautiful and useful. Without mistaking nature for grace, and making every proper allowance for her native mildness, her superior abilities, her liberal education, and polished manners, did she not exhibit in steadily increasing effulgence that supreme love to her Father in heaven, that faith in Christ, that love to the friends of Jesus, that zeal for the Church of the Redeemer, and that benevolence for all, which are the genuine expressions of a holy and an humble heart? When twenty she was married to the Rev. George Wharton Harris, then, and till his triumphant death, a worthy and honored member of the Cincinnati Conference. Her devotion embalmed his memory till her own death, and her life of purity, sympathy, and beneficence made her own memory fragrant. In all the pastoral charges in Ohio, favored with the labors of her noble husband, the kindest expressions of highest regard and tenderest love are still expressed with regard to his worthy consort and co-laborer in the Master's vineyard. Nobly, beyond eulogy, she filled the measure of her responsibilities. Modest, neat, industrious, domestic, thoughtful, intelligent, sympathetic, genial, hopeful, and true as the dial to the sun, she wore the white flower of a spotless life, and in her the young itinerant found a suitable companion, whom he justly admired and ardently loved. She was specially endeared to the various families with which she became united by marriage. Her coming among us was an evangel of love, and her departure has made earth



poorer and heaven dearer. The long season of affliction through which she passed previous to her release was, indeed, her shining time. Her passive graces were made perfect through sufferings. When the hour of death drew nigh with failing accents she said to her mother: "It is all right. Home, home, almost home," and without a struggle or a sigh she slept in death and waked in heaven. Now, lovely, loving, and beloved, she has regained the coveted companionship of those who were not lost, but only gone before.

G. M.

#### MRS. ANNA W. SIMMONS.

ANNA WHITICAR GANT was born in the State of New Jersey, December 23, 1808, and died at Xenia, Ohio, July 31, 1879. At the early age of sixteen she was married to Mr. John Bodine, a merchant of Philadelphia. After a few years of happy married life she was bereaved of her husband. While spending the years of her widowhood in Cincinnati, Ohio, she met and married Rev. Wm. Simmons, with whom she shared the joys and trials of a Methodist itinerant's life until his death, which occurred August 6, 1874. Since that time she has lived at Xenia, Ohio, and held her membership with Trinity Methodist Episcopal Church, of that city. Sister Simmons was a woman of superior culture and earnest devotion. As a Christian she was never demonstrative, but full of quiet fervor and child-like simplicity. For many years she was a constant and devout student of the Holy Scriptures. During the last year of her life especially her Bible was her constant companion. As a natural result of such devotion to the Word of God her Christian character was beautiful and symmetrical. Her last illness was brief and painful, but through it all she was divinely sustained. To her pastor she, on several occasions during her illness, expressed herself as fully prepared for the change awaiting her, and fully resigned to the will of God. Her end was peace; and now she rests from her labors, while her works do follow her.

W. N. B.

#### MRS. ELIZA SMITH.

MRS. ELIZA SMITH, wife of Rev. E. C. Smith, of the Cincinnati Conference, was born in the city of Maysville, Ky., October 26, 1832, and died at the parsonage in Catawba, Clarke County, O., March 24, 1879. In her infancy and youth she had the careful training of pious parents; and, as a result, when very young she was scrupulously conscientious. In the Winter of 1848, at a meeting held in Maysville by Revs. Moses Smith and A. Meharry, and L. F. Van Cleve, she was happily converted, and at once became a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

From the time of her union with the Church till her decease she lived an active, devoted life, being always found at her place in Sabbath-school, class-meetings, and public services; always delighting in all the means of grace. She was married to her now bereaved husband on May 14, 1862. From that time till her death she nobly sustained the relation to the Church which she then assumed. Truly it could be said of her, "The heart of her husband doth safely trust her, and her children rise up and



call her blessed." She was ever careful of the peace and prosperity of the Church. In all the fields in which she shared the toils of itinerant life with her husband she maintained the most cordial and harmonious relations with the members of the Church, constantly laboring for the unity and spiritual prosperity of Zion.

In June, 1878, she was attacked by bronchitis, which progressed so rapidly as to baffle all medical treatment, terminating in death as stated above. As she neared the close of life she found the grace which had sustained her in life's earnest struggles, sufficient in this last of earth's trials. As she came very near the close of life, she said to her husband, in tones of confidence, "I am almost home. Jesus is very precious," and then, trustingly giving her family into the hands of the Savior, she sweetly fell asleep in Christ.

"Oh happy, happy soul,  
In ecstasies of praise,  
Long as eternal ages roll  
Thou seest thy Savior's face."

F. M. CLEMANS.

#### MRS. HATTIE L. KECK.

MRS. HATTIE L. KECK was the daughter of Colonel J. S. Donham, and the wife of Rev. H. M. Keck, of the Cincinnati Conference. She was born in Clermont County, near New Richmond, August 10, 1835, and died at Yellow Springs, November 13, 1878. She was married thirteen years, and has during that time faithfully performed the duties of an itinerant's wife.

She united with the Methodist Episcopal Church at Franklin, twenty-eight years ago, under the ministry of the Rev. Enoch G. West, and from that time on until her death her confidence in God has never been shaken. Her piety was not demonstrative, but its presence and influence were felt in every circle in which she mingled and throughout every field of labor in which she has toiled. She was of a gentle, loving disposition, ever ready to look upon the bright side of every one's character. She was every-where beloved, and died without an enemy. She was a loving companion, an affectionate mother, and a laborious Christian worker. Her piety manifested its presence in toils and self-sacrificing labors in the Church of Christ.

Her last illness embraced a period of about two weeks, during almost all which time she suffered excruciating pain, with general prostration. She was impressed with the belief that she would not recover, and also that she would die suddenly. Her sick chamber was constantly thronged with sympathizing friends, representing the members of her own and other Churches, and those not connected with any. Her patience and her Christian counsels during this period have impressed themselves upon the entire community. Her death was sudden, and unlooked for by her friends. She sat up in bed and ate a moderate supper. Shortly afterward she complained of unusual sensations, which proved to be the precursors of apoplexy. Seized with a sudden pain she fell backwards, with a sharp cry of anguish in the presence of husband and child. Her eyes were fixed and her features calm in death. Neighbors were summoned, her

physician was quickly at her bedside, but she had ceased to breathe. Shortly before supper she called her little daughter to her bedside, and said, "Lida, if your mamma dies, be a good girl and meet her in heaven." A short time before her death she wrote a letter to one of her sisters, in which she says, referring to her mother, "How I would love to see her once more. If we never meet again on earth, I trust that we shall all meet in that blessed land where pain is unheard of, and where we will never feel the need of a mother, sister, or brother.

Her remains were deposited in the little grave-yard near by the old church where she had professed faith in Christ, and had been received into the army of the Lord. Here sleep her father and other members of the family. Often has she been heard to sing softly by herself the hymn commencing,

"I will sing you a song of that beautiful land,  
The far away home of the soul,  
Where no storms ever beat on the glittering strand  
While the years of eternity roll."

The last verse of this hymn was her special favorite :

"Oh how sweet it will be in that beautiful land,  
So free from all sorrow and pain;  
With songs on our lips and with harps in our hands  
To meet one another again."

Now her spirit has found that beautiful home in the city of God.

Next morning Lida said to her father, "Papa, let us go to the parsonage and see mamma. May be mamma is asleep, and she will wake up. Won't that be nice." On being told that her mother was dead, she said, "Oh yes, I know how it is; Jesus will come down some day and wake mamma up."

The touching prayer of little Lida, the night following her mother's departure was in these words of faith, "O Jesus, grant that some day I may meet mamma on that bright and shining shore."

#### MRS. MARY ANN KEYES.

MRS. MARY ANN KEYES, daughter of Samuel L. and Rosannah Fenton, and wife of Rev. Edgar D. Keyes, of the Cincinnati Conference, was born in Brown County, Ohio, December 13, 1853. She united with the Methodist Episcopal Church quite early in life, was married September 19, 1877, and died in the parsonage at New Market, Highland County, Ohio, August 20, 1879, aged twenty-five years, eight months, and seven days. Her married life was brief, but it was one of happiness and perfect contentment.

She endeared herself to all with whom she became acquainted, and gave promise of being a great help to her husband in his future itinerant labors.

Her life closed beautifully and peacefully as that of a Christian always does. As her physical nature weakened, her mental and spiritual were quickened and strengthened. The day previous to her death she kissed her precious babe, and commended it to the care of the God and Father

of our Lord Jesus Christ. A few hours before passing away she bid her husband good-bye, telling him to be true to God and the Church, and that ere long they would meet where parting is unknown. Those surrounding the bed in her last hours heard her several times engaged in prayer, offering petitions in behalf of her family and near relatives, calling them by name. Her end was peace.

E. M. COLE.

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**MRS. KATE RENNICK EASTMAN.**

MRS. KATE RENNICK EASTMAN was born November 10, 1845, at London, England. In 1871 she came to the United States to make a visit to her sister, and was married to Rev. Warren F. Eastman November 6, 1872, at Lincoln, Illinois. After a year they moved to Ohio, and in 1875 her husband entered the Cincinnati Conference. From her early youth she was a member of the Church of England, and often remarked that she could not remember the time when she did not love Jesus. After her marriage she united with the Methodist Episcopal Church. Mrs. Eastman was a gifted and true woman, and cheerfully for her Master's sake sacrificed her life in the service of the Church. Her afflictions were severe, her sufferings great, but faith in God sustained her so that without a murmur she was enabled to wear a smile amidst the shadows that gathered round her. Just before death she asked her physician if he thought she could live long. He replied that she might live a few days and she might not. She then replied, "My dear husband and two little boys I give to Jesus." When her husband asked her if she was ready to go, she replied, "Oh yes; I am waiting for my Master to call." She died November 30, 1878, at Laurel, Ohio, and was there buried.

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CINCINNATI, O., *September 9, 1879.*

I hereby certify that the reports and proceedings herewith published were regularly adopted by the Cincinnati Conference at its late session in Urbana, O.

D. J. STARR, *Secretary.*

## CONFERENCE SERVICES AND ANNIVERSARIES.

AGREEABLE to the appointments of the Committee on Public Worship, the Conference session was preceded by an admirable address, full of the missionary spirit, delivered by Rev. A. Lowrey, D. D., Tuesday evening to a crowded house, on "Greece as I saw it."

Wednesday Evening Rev. W. A. Robinson preached in Grace Church. Thursday afternoon Rev. A. Lowrey, D. D., preached in the First Church, and Friday afternoon Rev. C. W. Ketcham, D. D., delivered the Conference Missionary Sermon in Grace Church.

THE ANNIVERSARY OF THE PREACHERS' RELIEF SOCIETY was held Thursday evening, Dr. J. M. Walden presiding. Dr. Wm. Young presented his report, after which Drs. C. H. Payne and H. B. Ridgaway addressed the meeting and a collection was taken amounting to \$86.

THE ANNIVERSARY OF THE CONFERENCE EDUCATIONAL SOCIETY was held Friday evening, Dr. L. D. McCabe, President, in the chair. Stirring addresses were delivered by Drs. D. H. Moore, John Miley, C. H. Payne, and the President.

THE ANNIVERSARY OF THE WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY was held Saturday evening, Mrs. Lowrey and Mrs. Ferguson presiding. Excellent addresses were delivered by these ladies and by Drs. Miley and Payne.

Conference love-feast was held Sabbath morning at 9 o'clock, Rev. Wm. Herr presiding. Rev. J. J. Hill offered the opening prayer. The testimony of these brethren, and of Revs. G. Moody, R. Brandriff, Jos. W. Smith, W. Young, M. P. Gaddis, J. M. Trimble, L. D. McCabe, A. Lowrey, D. Warnock, T. H. Pearne; of Brother Tobias Drees, and of Sisters Moody and Lowrey gave to the service great spiritual power and made it of memorable historic interest.

The pulpits on Sabbath were filled as follows:

GRACE CHURCH—At 11 o'clock by Bishop Simpson; at 3 o'clock by the Rev. W. H. Boole, and at 7½ o'clock by Dr. J. Miley.

FIRST CHURCH—At 11 A. M. by Dr. J. Miley; at 3 P. M., by Dr. Kynett; and at 7½ P. M. by Dr. H. B. Ridgaway.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH—At 11 A. M. by Dr. C. H. Payne, and at 7½ P. M. by Rev. M. A. Richards.

In other Churches Dr. T. H. Pearne, Rev. A. Hamilton, Rev. W. J. Quarry.

REV. JOSEPH J. HILL'S SEMI-CENTENNIAL ADDRESS was, by request of Conference, delivered Monday afternoon in Grace Church. This veteran itinerant, now in his 74th year, is a native of Maryland. When nineteen years of age he was converted to God, and joined the Methodist Episcopal Church in Chillicothe, Ohio, under the ministry of Revs. J. P. Durbin and J. F. Wright. In 1828 he was received into the Ohio Conference. His half-century of ministerial service is made up of twenty-eight years on circuits, eighteen years in stations, two years in agencies, one year as an army chaplain, and one year on a district. During one year as presiding elder he had preached 166 times, visited 561 families, catechised 683 children, distributed 12,000 pages of tracts, rode 3,643 miles on horseback, witnessed the accession of 636 persons to the Church on probation, and had received for his salary and traveling expenses \$243.50. Extra to the regular pulpit work of half a century, he had held 145 protracted meetings, 23 watch-night services, had labored in 63 camp-meetings, had made 25,300 pastoral visits, and had received 3,608 into the Church on probation, 18 of whom had become ministers.

No wonder that during the period of such a ministry he had chronicled the deaths of 405 ministers of his personal acquaintance. The greater wonder is that he himself should have survived and should appear as fresh and ready to take work to-day as any member of the Conference.

The incidents and reminiscences given by Brother Hill in his address were of thrilling interest, and were highly appreciated by his audience, as was manifest by their spontaneous applause and hearty ejaculations.

## ALPHABETICAL CONFERENCE DIRECTORY.

NAME.	APPOINTMENT.	Yrs in Ap't.	POST OFFICE.	COUNTY.
Ambrose, J. C.....	W. Elkton & Winchester	1	Gratis .....	Preble.
Arthur, R. A.....	Superannuated .....	...	.....	.....
Aultman, D. L....	Manchester.....	2	Manchester .....	Adams.
Bail, J. T. ....	Waynesville. ....	1	Waynesville.....	Warren.
Baker, M. G.....	Superannuated .....	..	Franklin .....	Warren.
Baker, W. J.....	Marathon .....	1	Marathon.....	Clermont.
Barton, J.....	Sup. Care Rev. W. Herr.	1	Dayton .....	Montgomery
Beall, A. U.....	Red Lion & Springboro.	1	Springboro.....	Warren.
Bennett, S.....	Milford & Perintown...	2	Milford .....	Clermont.
Bitler, J. S.....	Harrison .....	1	Harrison .....	Hamilton.
Black, J. G.....	Tremont .....	3	Tremont City.....	Clarke.
Black, W. H.....	Casstown.....	2	Casstown.....	Miami.
Boltin, J. C.....	Sinking Springs.....	3	Fairfax.....	Highland.
Bowers, A.....	Madisonville .....	2	Madisonville .....	Hamilton.
Boyer, W. M.....	Williamsburg .....	3	Williamsburg.....	Clermont.
Brandriff, R.....	Superannuated .....	...	Piqua .....	Miami.
Brewster, S. A....	Springfield District.....	2	Springfield .....	Clarke.
Brodbeck, W. N.	Trinity .....	3	Xenia .....	Greene.
Brown, V. F.....	Loveland .....	1	Loveland.....	Clermont.
Bursall, E.....	Port Union.....	2	Jones's Station .....	Butler.
Callahan, D.....	Superannuated .....	...	Hillsboro.....	Highland.
Carey, S. W.....	Union .....	1	Spring Valley.....	Greene.
Cassatt, J. W.....	Green Street.....	2	Piqua .....	Miami.
Chalfant, J. F....	Superannuated .....	...	Springdale .....	Hamilton.
Cheney, D. D.....	Monroe.....	2	Monroe.....	Butler.
Clark, L.....	First Church .....	3	Xenia.....	Greene.
Clayton, S. D.....	Lebanon .....	2	Lebanon.....	Warren.
Clemans, F. M....	Mechanicsburg .....	3	Mechanicsburg .....	Champaign.
Cole, E. M.....	Lynchburg .....	1	Lynchburg.....	Highland.
Collett, T.....	Greenfield .....	3	Greenfield .....	Highland.
Conrey, J. F.....	Hartwell.....	2	Hartwell.....	Hamilton.
Conrey, S. F.....	Superannuated.....	...	King's Creek.....	Champaign.
Cordova, F. N....	Missionary.....	...	Miraflores.....	Mexico.
Cowden, T. S.....	Eaton.....	3	Eaton.....	Preble.
Cramer, M. J.....	Supernumerary .....	...	Copenhagen .....	Denmark.
Crum, G. C.....	Superannuated .....	...	Xenia.....	Greene.
Crum, C. T.....	Columbia .....	1	Columbia, Cin'nati.	Hamilton.
Dart, G. H.....	Middletown.....	2	Middletown.....	Butler.
Darlington, N. W.	Laurel.....	2	Laurel .....	Clermont.
Davis, F. S.....	St. Paris and Lena.....	1	St. Paris .....	Champaign.
Davis, J. H.....	Supernumerary .....	...	Rainsboro .....	Highland.
Davis, L. M.....	Supernumerary .....	...	Amelia .....	Clermont.
Deem, R. K.....	Seven-mile.....	2	Seven-mile.....	Butler.
Dimmick, B. F....	Grace Church.....	2	Avondale.....	Hamilton.
Drees, C. W.....	Missionary .....	...	Puebla.....	Mexico.
Dubois, G. W.....	Morrow and S. Lebanon.	3	Morrow .....	Warren.
Dustin, M.....	Maineville .....	1	Maineville .....	Warren.

NAME.	APPOINTMENT.	Yrs in Ap't.	POST-OFFICE.	COUNTY.
Easton, J. A.....	Cheviot.....	1	Cheviot.....	Hamilton.
Edgar, G. M.....	Fairfield.....	1	Fairfield.....	Montgomery
Edmiston, S. W..	Mt. Orab and Sardinia..	2	Sardinia .....	Brown.
Ellsworth, J. B...	Old Town.....	1	Yellow Springs.....	Greene.
Fee, G. W.....	Bantam.....	1	Bantam.....	Clermont.
Fee, W. I.....	Ripley District..	3	Ripley.....	Brown.
Ferguson, C.....	Wilmington.....	1	Wilmington.....	Clinton.
Fidler, T. E.....	Concord.....	2	Union.....	Montgomery
Gaddis, M. P.....	Superannuated .....	...	Dayton.....	Montgomery
Gaddis, J. W.....	Davison Chapel.....	2	Miami City, Day'n.	Montgomery
Glasscock, B.....	Superannuated .....	...	Hillsboro.....	Highland.
Gowdy, C. F.....	Rainsboro.....	1	Rainsboro.....	Highland.
Gregg, J. L.....	Brookville.....	1	Brookville.....	Montgomery
Griffith, A. M.....	Bowersville.....	2	Sabina.....	Clinton.
Grover, J. L.....	Superannuated .....	...	Columbus .....	Ohio.....
Hamilton, A.....	Butlerville.....	2	Pleasant Plain.....	Clermont.
Hammell, G. M..	Gordon.....	1	Gordon.....	Darke.
Harris, T. J.....	High Street.....	1	Springfield.....	Clarke.
Hayward, D. L..	King's Creek.....	3	King's Creek.....	Champaign.
Herr, Wm.....	Agent Xenia College....	1	Dayton.....	Montgomery
Hill, J. J.....	Centenary.....	1	Mulberry.....	Clermont.
Hines, W. E.....	Superannuated .....	...	Williamsburg .....	Clermont.
Hull, J. F.....	North Bend.....	2	Groesbeck.....	Hamilton.
Hunter, J. R.....	Venice.....	3	Ross.....	Hamilton.
Hypes, W. L.....	Grace Church.....	1	Dayton.....	Montgomery
Hypes, F.....	Westchester & Sharon...	1	West Chester.....	Butler.
Hypes, B. D.....	M'Kendree & Pendleton.	1	Cincinnati.....	Hamilton.
Irvin, J. N.....	Trinity.....	2	Cincinnati.....	Hamilton.
Jackson, W. B....	Supernumerary .....	...	Urbana.....	Champaign.
Jackson, W. P....	Catawba.....	1	Catawba .....	Clarke.
James, E. P.....	West Union.....	1	West Union.....	Adams.
Kalbfus, C.....	Superannuated .....	...	Yellow Springs.....	Greene.
Kalbfus, C. H....	North Hampton.....	1	North Hampton...	Clarke.
Kauffman, M.....	Tippecanoe.....	1	Tippecanoe City ....	Miami.
Keck, H. M.....	Lockington.....	1	Lockington.....	Shelby.
Keely, J. W.....	Superannuated .....	...	Indianapolis.....	Indiana.
Kelley, G. W.....	Wesley.....	1	Cincinnati.....	Hamilton.
Kemper, D.....	Superannuated .....	...	Lebanon .....	Warren.
Kendall, J.....	Hillsboro.....	2	Hillsboro.....	Highland.
Kennedy, G. H....	North Lewisburg....	3	North Lewisburg...	Champaign.
Ketcham, C. W..	Christie.....	2	Cincinnati.....	Hamilton.
Keyes, E. D.....	Decatur.....	1	Decatur.....	Brown.
Kugler, M. M....	St. John's.....	1	Cincinnati.....	Hamilton.
Kugler, W. E....	Camp Dennison.....	1	Grand Valley.....	Hamilton.
Lawton, C. H....	Goshen .....	1	Goshen .....	Clermont.
Lease, J. H.....	Asbury .....	2	Cincinnati.....	Hamilton.
Lee, T.....	Union Bethel.....	12	Cincinnati.....	Hamilton.
Leever, F.....	Cumminsville.....	1	Cumminsville.....	Hamilton.
Leming, J. Y.....	Germantown.....	1	Germantown.....	Montgomery



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Leonard, A. B....	East Cincinnati District.	1	Walnut Hills.....	Hamilton.
Lopez, Eligio.....	Missionary .....	...	.....	Mexico.
Lowrey, A. ....	Supernumerary.....	...	805 Broadway.....	New York.
Loyd, J. F. ....	Pres Hillsb'o Female Col	3	Hillsboro.....	Highland.
Luders, German..	Missionary .....	...	.....	Mexico.
Maddox, A. D....	Clarksville.....	1	Clarksville.....	Clinton.
Maddy J. C. ....	Superannuated .....	...	Rushville.....	Indiana.
Mahon, W. ....	Boston .....	2	Boston .....	Clermont.
Marlay, J. F. ....	First Church .....	2	Urbana .....	Champaign.
Marsh, S. N. ....	Aberdeen .....	3	Aberdeen .....	Brown.
Mason, J. W. ....	Miamisburg.....	1	Miamisburg.....	Montgomery
Maxey, W. N. ....	Superannuated .....	...	Russell's Station....	Highland.
M'Cabe, L. D. ....	Prof. in Ohio Wes. Univ.	...	Delaware.....	Delaware.
M'Clelland, J. F..	St. Paul's.....	1	Cincinnati.....	Hamilton.
M'Colm, J. F. ....	Olive Branch.....	1	Olive Branch.....	Clermont.
M'Colm, D. A. ....	Marshall.....	2	Marshall.....	Highland.
M'Donald, N. ....	Superannuated .....	...	Westboro.....	Clinton.
M'Laughlin, G. S.	Martinsville.....	1	Martinsville.....	Clinton.
Medina, Jesus....	Missionary .....	...	.....	Mexico.
M'Hugh, E. ....	Georgetown.....	2	Georgetown.....	Brown.
Middleton, H. C..	Felicity.. ..	1	Felicity .....	Clermont.
Middleton, J. H..	Bethel .....	1	Bethel.....	Clermont.
Miesse, W. H. ....	Pearl Street.....	2	Cincinnati.....	Hamilton.
Miller, H. ....	F'r Hav'n & Sug'r V'ly.	1	Fair Haven.....	Preble.
Mitchell, F. G. ....	Ripley .....	1	Ripley.....	Brown.
M' Mullen, W. T.	Supernumerary .....	...	Owensville.....	Clermont.
Moler, W. B. ....	Moscow .....	3	Moscow .....	Clermont.
Moody, G. ....	Hamilton ..	2	Hamilton.....	Butler.
Moore, D. H. ....	Pres. Cin. Wes. Col.....	...	Cincinnati.....	Hamilton.
Murphy, A. ....	Superannuated .....	...	New Carlisle.....	Clarke.
Murray, J. ....	Grace Church.....	1	Urbana.....	Champaign.
Payne, C. H. ....	Pres. Ohio Wes. Univ...	...	Delaware.....	Delaware.
Peake, T. D. W. ...	Yellow Springs .....	1	Yellow Springs.....	Greene.
Pearne, T. H. ....	Dayton District.....	2	Dayton .....	Montgomery
Pearson, J. ....	Mt. Auburn.....	2	Cincinnati.....	Hamilton.
Peregrine, J. S. ...	Superannuated .....	...	Winona.....	Minnesota.
Porter, J. P. ....	Centerville.....	1	Centerville.....	Montgomery
Prince, N. ....	Brandt.....	1	Brandt.....	Montgomery
Pumphrey, J. S. ...	Mingo.....	3	Mingo.....	Champaign.
Quarry, W. J. ....	Supernumerary.....	...	Felicity.....	Clermont.
Raleigh, A. D. ....	Addison.....	1	Christiansburg.....	Champaign.
Ridgaway, H. B..	Walnut Hills.....	1	Walnut Hills.....	Hamilton.
Richards, M. A. ...	Troy .....	2	Troy.....	Miami.
Rishell, C. W. ....	Winton Place.....	2	Winton Place.....	Hamilton.
Robinson, J. M. ...	Superannuated .....	...	Malvern .....	Mills Co., Ia.
Robinson, W. A. ...	Central Church.....	3	Springfield.....	Clarke.
Royal, S. O. ....	Finley.....	1	Cincinnati.....	Hamilton.
Runyan, W. ....	West Cincinnati District	...	Cincinnati.....	Hamilton.
Rust, R. S. ....	Sec'y Fred. Aid Society.	...	Cincinnati.....	Hamilton.
Sargent, J. H. ....	Superannuated .....	...	Lebanon.....	Warren.
Sentman, D. E. H.	Fairmount.....	1	Cincinnati.....	Hamilton.

NAME.	APPOINTMENT.	Yrs. in Aplt.	POST-OFFICE.	COUNTY.
Shannon, W. Q...	Cedarville .....	1	Cedarville .....	Greene.
Shannon, J. R....	Walker and Union.....	2	Wood's Station.....	Butler.
Shultz, J. M'K...	New Carlisle.....	1	New Carlisle.....	Clarke.
Shultz, J. P.....	Jamestown .....	3	Jamestown .....	Greene.
Smith, S. B.....	South Charleston.....	2	South Charleston...	Clarke.
Smith, E. C.....	Mutual .....	1	Mutual .....	Champaign.
Smith, R. E.....	New Lexington.....	3	Highland.....	Highland.
Smith, W. H.....	Moorefield.....	3	Moorefield.....	Clarke.
Spahr, A. N.....	Oxford.....	1	Oxford .....	Butler.
Starr, D. J.....	York Street .....	2	67 Dudley St., Cin.	Hamilton.
Stokes, H.....	Feesburg .....	3	Feesburg.....	Brown.
Stone, J. W.....	Superannuated.....	...	Carthage.....	Missouri.
Story, J. A.....	Mt. Wash'gton & Red B'k	2	Mt. Washington....	Hamilton.
Stephenson, J.....	Grace Church.....	1	Piqua .....	Miami.
Sutherland, W. H.	Batavia .....	2	Batavia .....	Clermont.
Sutherland, J. W.	Supernumerary .....	...	Cincinnati .....	Hamilton.
Taggart, J. I.....	Leesburg .....	2	Leesburg .....	Highland.
Thirkield, W. P.	Germantown .....	2	Germantown .....	Montgomery
Tibbits, A. W.....	New Jasper .....	3	New Jasper .....	Greene.
Travis, G. L.....	Miami Circuit.....	2	Mason .....	Warren.
Tuckley, H.....	Delhi .....	2	Delhi .....	Hamilton.
Van Cleve, L. F.	Hillsboro District.....	1	Hillsboro .....	Highland.
Vance, J.....	Amelai.....	1	Amelia .....	Clermont.
Vance, D. C.....	Lockland.....	2	Wyoming .....	Hamilton.
Verity, J.....	Conference Missionary..	1	Jamestown .....	Greene.
Walden, J. M.....	Book Agent.....	...	Cincinnati .....	Hamilton.
Warnock, D.....	Superannuated.....	...	Urbana.....	Champaign.
Weakley, J. W...	Superannuated.....	...	Mt. Washington ...	Hamilton.
Weakley, H. C...	M'Lean .....	2	Cincinnati.....	Hamilton.
Weaver, G. T.....	Camden.....	1	Camden.....	Preble.
Webster, W.....	Superannuated.....	...	South Charleston...	Clarke.
Weeks, S.....	Franklin .....	1	Franklin.....	Warren.
Wells, E. T.....	Raper Church.....	3	Dayton .....	Montgomery
Wells, C. J.....	East Liberty.....	1	East Liberty.....	Logan.
White, J. A.....	Carthage & Pl'sant Ridge	1	Carthage .....	Hamilton.
Whitmer, D.....	New Burlington.....	2	New Burlington....	Clinton.
Whitney, J. S.....	Bethany .....	3	Bethany .....	Butler.
Williams, W. N...	Newtonsville.....	1	Newtonsville.....	Clermont.
Wilson, J.....	Winchester.....	1	Scott.....	Adams.
Witham, H.....	Groesbeck .....	1	Groesbeck .....	Hamilton.
Young, W.....	M'Kendree & Pendleton.	...	Mt. Washington ...	Hamilton.
Young, L. F.....	New Paris.....	3	New Paris.....	Preble.
Zink, M. P.....	Sinking Springs.....	1	Sinking Springs.....	Highland.

In accordance with the action of the Cincinnati Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, I hereby appoint Rev. D. J. Starr, A. M., Fraternal Messenger from that body to the Miami Conference of the United Brethren Church.

M. SIMPSON.

## LOCAL PREACHERS' DIRECTORY.

[Names in SMALL CAPITALS are ELDERS; in *ITALICS* are *Deacons*; in Roman letters are *Licentiates*. All local preachers should furnish their names, orders, and Post-offices to their presiding elder for next Conference.]

**East Cincinnati District.**

A. SELLERS, Lebanon, Warren co., O.  
 H. W. WRIGHT, Pleasant Ridge, O.  
 H. L. LEEVER, Miami<sup>i</sup>ville, O.  
 ROBERT ASKEW, Cincinnati, O.  
 B. F. GARLAND, Mulberry, O.  
 S. HILL, Owensville P. O., Clermont co., O.  
 R. S. HAGERMAN, Camp Hagerman, O.  
*Hezekiah Hill*, Owensville P. O., O.  
*Isaac Kimball*, Cincinnati, O.  
*F. A. M'Cormick*, Belfast, O.  
*Charles Shallcross*, Mt. Washington, O.  
*Thomas Stewart*, Sharonville, O.  
*S. Zentmire*, Morrow, Warren co., O.  
 C. Gallimore, Cincinnati, O.  
 Isaac Carr, Owensville, Clermont co., O.  
 J. Hawke, Waynesville, Warren co., O.  
 John Maulsbury, Montgomery, O.  
*Allen M'Lean*, Xenia, Greene co., O.  
 Chas. W. Rowland, Cincinnati, O.  
 Emery Thompson, Sharonville, O.  
 George Warrington, Cincinnati, O.  
 Lewis Wolff, Cincinnati, O.  
 H. C. Owen, South Lebanon, O.  
 S. W. M'Nutt, Cincinnati, O.  
 Jerome Carr, Pendleton, Cincinnati, O.  
 W. J. THURBER, Xenia, Greene co., O.

**West Cincinnati District.**

Zera Getchell, Cincinnati, O.  
 George Easton, Cincinnati, O.  
 W. H. S. EWELL, Cincinnati, O.  
 James Cunning, Cincinnati, O.  
*L. E. Grennan*, Oxford, Butler co., O.  
 I. C. Garrison, Cheviot, Hamilton co., O.  
 Hiram JOHNSON, Eaton, Preble co., O.  
*Wm. Logue*, Somerville, Butler co., O.  
 T. S. Jones, Hartwell, Hamilton co., O.  
 J. M'CLUNG, Bethany, Butler co., O.  
*William M'Cord*, Oxford, Butler co., O.  
 Christian Mayer, Cincinnati, O.  
 J. SIMONSON, Camden, Preble co., O.  
 R. B. Stroud, Cincinnati, O.  
 W. L. Long, Cincinnati, O.  
 J. P. WATERHOUSE, Groesbeck, O.  
*Charles West*, M'Gonigal's Station, Butler co., O.

**Dayton District.**

S. P. Axtell, West Milton, Miami co., O.  
 C. W. Bennett, Piqua, Miami co., O.

Henry Boltin, Miamisburg, O.  
 J. A. Castle, Piqua, Miami co., O.  
 Jonathan Cox, Fairfield, Greene co., O.  
 L. O. Deputy, Winchester, Preble co., O.  
 Seth Ellis, Springboro, Warren co., O.  
 Perry French, West Charleston, Miami co., O.  
 Benjamin O. Garver, New Carlisle, O.  
 Silas Hammon, Houston, Shelby co., O.  
*William Hill*, Enon, Clarke co., O.  
*William Howell*, Dayton, O.  
*N. Hornady*, West Elkton, Preble co., O.  
*E. H. Hopkins*, St. Paris, O.  
*M. A. Jordan*, St. Paris, Champaign co., O.  
 Maximilian King, Dayton, O.  
 JAMES MANNING, Dayton, O.  
 Dr. Samuel M'Giffin, Tippecanoe, O.  
 Wm. Michael, Dialton, Clarke co., O.  
 RICHARD MORRIS, Springfield, O.  
*Dr. J. H. Payne*, Middletown, Butler co., O.  
*Samuel Pettit*, Piqua, O.  
 W. B. POLING, Dayton, O.  
*William Raynor*, Piqua, O.  
*Joseph Rozell*, Tippecanoe, Miami co., O.  
 M. L. Runyan, St. Paris, O.  
 J. Russell, Lockington, Shelby co., O.  
*Samuel Scott*, Dayton, O.  
 W. E. Shinn, Delaware, O.  
*David Staley*, Franklin, O.  
 F. E. Thomas, Gordon, Darke co., O.  
*Harrison Vaughn*, Dayton, O.  
 A. H. Wright, Pymont, O.

**Springfield District.**

C. C. Jones, Urbana, O.  
 W. H. HOLLOWAY, Urbana, O.  
 A. C. DEUEL, Urbana, Champaign co., O.  
 T. D. CROW, Urbana, Champaign co., O.  
 J. W. SMITH, Urbana, Champaign co., O.  
 E. OWENS, M. D., Springfield, O.  
 T. WONES, Springfield, Clarke co., O.  
 J. W. GUNN, Springfield, Clarke co., O.  
 J. MISKEY, South Charleston, O.  
 E. TULLEYS, Yellow Springs, O.  
 J. W. READING, Mechanicsburg, O.  
 WM. WILLIAMS, Mechanicsburg, O.  
*A. N. Curl*, West Mansfield, Logan co., O.  
*B. W. Gehman*, King's Creek, Champaign co., O.  
*Wm. Haller*, King's Creek, O.  
*W. Sampson*, Urbana, Champaign co., O.  
*D. H. Randall*, Catawba, Clarke co., O.  
*D. W. De Lay*, South Charleston, O.

W. J. White, Springfield, Clarke co., O.  
 J. W. Dudley, Springfield, Clarke co., O.  
 J. O. Atkinson, Selma, Clarke co., O.  
 A. Bumgardner, Catawba, Clarke co., O.  
 E. Kimber, Urbana, Champaign co., O.  
 J. L. Belt, Spring Valley, Greene co., O.  
 Gideon Spahr, Cedarville, Greene co., O.  
 S. P. Strong, Kennard, Champaign co., O.  
 J. T. Robinson, West Mansfield, Logan co., O.  
 W. W. Ballinger, East Liberty, Logan co., O.  
 J. G. Hurlbut, Urbana, Champaign co., O.  
 Lewis Corbin, North Lewisburg, Champaign co., O.  
 Simeon Carey, M. D., Spring Valley, Greene co., O.  
 M. M. Bales, Tradersville, Madison co., O.  
 Jonathan Thatcher, M. D., Crayon, Champaign co., O.

#### Hillsboro District.

D. S. Austin, Cuba, Clinton co., O.  
 T. L. Beard, Sugar-tree Ridge, Highland co., O.  
 C. C. Bowers, New Vienna, Clinton co., O.  
 S. Burba, Emerald, Adams co., O.  
 M. H. CHERRY, East Mongoe, Highland co., O.  
 A. T. Cowgill, Morrisville, Clinton co., O.  
 I. H. DEBRUIN, Scott, Adams co., O.  
 E. Easton, Sinking Springs, Highland co., O.  
 W. M. C. Elliott, Sinking Springs, Highland co., O.  
 J. W. Fenton, Scott, Adams co., O.  
 D. S. Ferguson, Highland, Highland co., O.  
 R. Fulton, Lynchburg, Highland co., O.  
 D. Griffith, Belfast, Highland co., O.  
 W. H. Griffith, Marshall, Highland co., O.  
 S. S. Hard, Russell's Station, Highland co., O.  
 J. HILE, Sinking Springs, Highland co., O.  
 W. S. Hough, Leesburg, Highland co., O.  
 W. Holmes, Memphis, Clinton co., O.  
 J. Johnson, Bowersville, Greene co., O.  
 J. W. Johnson, Milledgeville, Fayette co., O.  
 C. Lazenby, Leesburg, Highland co., O.  
 THOS. LOYD, Hillsboro, Highland co., O.  
 J. W. Manker, Scott, Adams co., O.  
 G. M. Morrow, Clarksville, Clinton co., O.  
 G. W. Murphy, Marshall, Highland co., O.  
 T. W. Oldaker, Russell's Station, Highland co., O.

E. Parker, Wilmington, Clinton co., O.  
 R. Ramsey, Scott, Adams co., O.  
 M. Redkey, Leesburg, Highland co., O.  
 W. H. Sanders, Leesburg, Highland co., O.  
 H. Sidwell, Russellville, Brown co., O.  
 R. STORY, Bowersville, Greene co., O.  
 B. F. Stewart, Bowersville, Greene co., O.  
 D. Wright, Highland, Highland co., O.  
 A. J. Swearingen, Scott, Adams co., O.  
 J. A. Thompson, Newtonsville, Clermont co., O.

#### Ripley District.

F. Abbott, Felicity, Clermont co., O.  
 J. Hamline Armacost, Felicity, Clermont co., O.  
 J. P. BLOOMHUFF, Bradysville, Adams co., O.  
 J. BRUNAUGH, Amelia, Clermont co., O.  
 John W. Burdsall, Marathon, Clermont co., O.  
 J. Burdsall, Owensville, Clermont co., O.  
 E. Cox, Point Pleasant, Clermont co., O.  
 Charles W. Cooper, Cherry Fork, Adams co., O.  
 N. DAILY, Bantam, Clermont co., O.  
 David Daily, Feesburg, Brown co., O.  
 L. R. Day, Felicity, Clermont co., O.  
 Elisha Dole, Laurel, Clermont co., O.  
 John Durham, Bethel, Clermont co., O.  
 DAVID GADDIS, Ripley, Brown co., O.  
 G. M. Fulton, Cherry Fork, Adams co., O.  
 T. GRANGE, Bethel, Clermont co., O.  
 W. W. Higgins, Feesburg, Brown co., O.  
 Joseph Long, Eastwood, Brown co., O.  
 Jno. W. McKenzie, Hamersville, Brown co., O.  
 G. W. Menaugh, Ripley, Brown co., O.  
 T. W. Maddox, Hiatt's P. O., Brown co., O.  
 W. W. Manker, Manchester, Adams co., O.  
 S. J. M'Adow, Manchester, Adams co., O.  
 J. M'Neilan, West Union, Adams co., O.  
 J. M' MATH, Moscow, Clermont co., O.  
 J. E. Moore, Felicity, Clermont co., O.  
 J. A. Perry, Manchester, Adams co., O.  
 C. Robinson, Batavia, Clermont co., O.  
 J. F. Rapp, Marathon, Clermont co., O.  
 T. R. Sweet, Marathon, Clermont co., O.  
 J. C. Stires, Hamersville, Brown co., O.  
 G. W. Swing, Bethel, Clermont co., O.  
 S. West, Olive Branch, Clermont co., O.  
 E. ZIMMERMAN, West Union, Adams co., O.

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## MEMORABILIA OF CINCINNATI CONFERENCE SESSIONS.

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No.	DATE.	PLACE.	BISHOP.	SECRETARY.	TO PUBLISH MINUTES.	MISSIONARY TREASURER.	RAISED FOR MISSIONS.	CHURCH MEMBERS.
1	Sept. 22, 1852...	Xenia.....	E. S. Janes.....	John T. Mitchell.....	G. Moody, M. Smith, W. P. Strickland.....	W. Young.....	\$10,503 45	27,487
2	Sept. 28, 1853...	Hillsboro .....	E. S. Janes.....	J. T. Mitchell.....	J. W. Fowble, G. Moody, J. T. Mitchell.....	W. Young.....	13,111 69	29,721
3	Sept. 23, 1854...	Cincinnati .....	L. Scott.....	J. T. Mitchell.....	J. T. Mitchell, J. W. Fowble, M. Dustin.....	W. Young.....	15,485 34	29,623
4	Sept. 26, 1855...	Urbana.....	T. A. Morris.....	J. T. Mitchell.....	Secretaries.....	W. Young.....	15,508 77	29,958
5	Oct. 1, 1856...	Ripley.....	E. R. Ames.....	J. T. Mitchell.....	Secretaries.....	W. H. Sutherland.....	13,653 96	28,848
6	Sept. 9, 1857...	Piqua.....	T. A. Morris.....	J. T. Mitchell.....	Secretaries.....	W. H. Sutherland.....	12,594 87	27,401
7	Sept. 8, 1858...	Lebanon.....	E. S. Janes.....	J. T. Mitchell.....	Secretaries.....	C. Ferguson.....	12,428 70	29,749
8	Sept. 7, 1859...	Dayton.....	E. R. Ames.....	J. T. Mitchell.....	Secretaries.....	J. T. Ball.....	11,619 84	30,624
9	Sept. 5, 1860...	Oxford.....	M. Simpson.....	J. T. Mitchell.....	Secretaries.....	J. F. Marlay.....	12,432 57	31,859
10	Sept. 4, 1861...	Springfield.....	T. A. Morris.....	J. T. Mitchell.....	Secretaries.....	J. F. Conrey.....	13,556 08	32,025
11	Sept. 3, 1862...	Cincinnati .....	E. R. Ames.....	J. T. Mitchell.....	Secretaries.....	J. F. Conrey.....	10,599 97	31,010
12	Sept. 2, 1863...	Xenia.....	O. C. Baker.....	W. H. Sutherland.....	Secretaries.....	J. F. Conrey.....	18,350 30	28,530
13	Sept. 8, 1864...	Greenfield.....	M. Simpson.....	W. H. Sutherland.....	Secretaries.....	A. Meharry.....	25,252 63	29,955*
14	Aug. 30, 1865...	Troy.....	D. W. Clark.....	W. H. Sutherland.....	Secretaries.....	T. Lee.....	28,704 70	25,105
15	Aug. 29, 1866...	Ripley.....	E. Thomson.....	W. H. Sutherland.....	Secretaries.....	T. Lee.....	28,910 22	27,541
16	Aug. 28, 1867...	Urbana.....	T. A. Morris.....	W. H. Sutherland.....	Secretaries.....	T. Lee.....	27,363 88	28,326
17	Aug. 26, 1868...	Hamilton.....	D. W. Clark.....	W. H. Sutherland.....	Secretaries.....	T. Lee.....	23,842 31	27,868
18	Aug. 25, 1869...	Hillsboro .....	E. R. Ames.....	W. H. Sutherland.....	Secretaries.....	T. Lee.....	20,937 90	28,249
19	Aug. 24, 1870...	Piqua.....	E. S. Janes.....	W. H. Sutherland.....	Secretaries.....	J. F. Conrey.....	22,131 15	30,360
20	Aug. 30, 1871...	Dayton.....	L. Scott.....	W. H. Sutherland.....	Secretaries.....	J. F. Conrey.....	18,168 77	31,318
21	Aug. 28, 1872...	Eaton.....	I. W. Wiley.....	W. H. Sutherland.....	T. Lee, S. B. Smith, D. J. Starr.....	J. F. Conrey.....	20,230 55	31,375
22	Aug. 27, 1873...	Springfield.....	E. R. Ames.....	W. H. Sutherland.....	T. Lee, S. B. Smith, D. J. Starr.....	J. F. Conrey.....	17,830 76	32,295
23	Aug. 26, 1874...	Wilmington.....	R. S. Foster.....	W. H. Sutherland.....	T. Lee, D. J. Starr, S. B. Smith, D. H. Moore.....	J. F. Conrey.....	16,888 14	33,352
24	Sept. 1, 1875...	Cincinnati .....	E. G. Andrews.....	W. H. Sutherland.....	T. Lee, D. J. Starr, S. B. Smith, D. H. Moore.....	J. F. Conrey.....	19,581 28	32,623
25	Aug. 30, 1876...	Oxford.....	S. M. Merrill.....	W. H. Sutherland.....	D. J. Starr, T. Lee, S. B. Smith, D. H. Moore.....	J. F. Conrey.....	15,531 63	33,498
26	Sept. 5, 1877...	Xenia.....	G. Haven.....	W. H. Sutherland.....	T. Lee, D. J. Starr, S. B. Smith, D. H. Moore.....	J. F. Conrey.....	17,132 82	34,330
27	Sept. 4, 1878...	Piqua.....	W. L. Harris.....	David J. Starr.....	D. J. Starr, T. Lee, S. B. Smith, D. H. Moore.....	J. F. Conrey.....	15,238 03	35,348
28	Sept. 3, 1879...	Urbana.....	M. Simpson.....	David J. Starr.....	Secretaries, S. B. Smith, J. W. Sutherland.....	J. F. Conrey.....	14,543 35	35,486

\*2,392 members were, this year, transferred to the Central German Conference.

## NECROLOGY OF THE CINCINNATI CONFERENCE.

*"Verily there is a Reward for the Righteous."—Psalm.*

Our Fathers and Brothers.	Entered Con- ference.....	Time of Death.	Age.....	Years of Min- istry.....	* Our Fathers and Brothers.	Entered Con- ference.....	Time of Death.	Age.....	Years of Min- istry.....	
Wm. H. Raper.....	1819	Feb. 11, 1852	58	33	David Sharp.....	1813	April 21, 1865	77	52	
Joseph S. Tomlinson	1825	June 4, 1853	51	Tchr	Enoch G. West.....	1848	May 8, 1865	39	17	
Charles G. Meredith	1846	July 16, 1854	34	8	M. Marlay.....	1831	Sept. 2, 1866	69	35	
Gilbert C. Townley*	1848	Nov. 2, 1854	33	6	Levi White.....	1822	Aug. 21, 1866	68	44	
Thomas Gorsuch*....	1841	May 12, 1855	39	14	David Whitcomb....	1826	May 17, 1866	66	40	
James M. Cavin*....	1850	May 19, 1855	30	5	Wm. E. Spahr.....	1863	Nov. 30, 1865	22	2	
James Smith*.....	1818	April 7, 1856	65	32	David Reed.....	1832	Mar. 24, 1867	56	35	
Philip Nation*.....	1833	Oct. 14, 1855	43	22	Arza Brown.....	1824	Aug. 1, 1869	77	45	
George W. Walker*..	1826	July 31, 1856	51	30	Wm. S. Hartley.....	1856	Feb. 7, 1869	35	13	
B. Browmiller*....	1849	Sept. 16, 1856	32	7	Joseph M. Gatch....	1842	Feb. 13, 1869	47	27	
James B. Finley*....	1809	Sept. 6, 1857	76	48	Moses Smith.....	1842	Aug. 25, 1869	52	27	
Moses G. Bennett*..	1847	Mar. 8, 1857	37	10	Charles W. Swain...	1831	April 25, 1870	76	39	
A. J. Dinkins*.....	1842	Jan. 10, 1857	44	15	A. W. Musgrove.....	1852	April 19, 1870	58	30	
Samuel Neer*.....	1854	Aug. 15, 1857	30	3	Jesse Botkin.....	1842	Feb. 25, 1870	62	28	
Arthur W. Elliott...	1818	Jan. 18, 1858	73	40	Daniel D. Davisson..	1811	.....	1871	85	
James B. Austin.....	1828	Sept. 27, 1857	51	29	John W. Fowble.....	1842	July 6, 1871	56	29	
W. S. Morrow.....	1830	June 19, 1858	53	28	Eli Kirk.....	1857	Sept. 6, 1870	39	13	
John S. Jackson.....	1856	Mar. 29, 1858	24	2	John Seys.....	1825	Feb. 9, 1872	72	47	
J. J. Tiffany.....	1850	Dec. 29, 1857	31	7	Levi P. Miller.....	1830	July 28, 1872	63	42	
Robert O. Spencer...	1824	Aug. 30, 1858	52	31	Isaac Neff.....	1849	Oct. 29, 1871	47	22	
Perlee W. Wilber...	Tchr	June 11, 1859	52	25	John Shinn.....	1854	Sept. 26, 1871	47	17	
Horace S. Sellman...	1846	Feb. 1, 1859	38	13	A. B. Wambaugh.....	1838	Aug. 14, 1873	57	35	
Stephen H. Holland	1831	Jan. 10, 1860	53	29	Wesley Rector†.....	1871	Sept. 26, 1872	35	8	
William Kaetter.....	1851	Sept. 12, 1859	46	8	George J. Conner....	1859	April 1, 1873	44	14	
Jesse R. Hall.....	1854	Aug. 30, 1860	26	6	W. Simmons.....	1820	Aug. 6, 1874	76	54	
Isaac I. Beall.....	1849	Oct. 27, 1860	37	11	James Armstrong...	1827	July 1, 1874	70	47	
Daniel G. Mills.....	1833	Aug. 28, 1861	34	8	Joshua Boucher.....	1818	Nov. 22, 1873	76	55	
Peter Schmucker†...	1838	Dec. 9, 1860	76	46	H. M. Curry.....	1848	Mar. 3, 1874	55	26	
Charles Kissenger...	1855	Sept. 28, 1860	30	5	W. Routledge.....	1843	April 28, 1875	68	32	
George Danker†.....	1839	Mar. 4, 1861	67	22	M. G. Purkiser.....	1835	April 29, 1875	61	40	
Wesley Rowe.....	1834	Feb. 8, 1862	52	28	N. C. Parrish.....	1865	Feb. 15, 1875	40	10	
Henry E. Purkiser...	1852	Dec. 4, 1861	34	9	E. House†.....	1865	May 20, 1875	50	26	
Joseph Newson.....	1833	May 20, 1862	53	29	J. C. Bontecou.....	1827	Oct. 14, 1875	72	48	
Charles R. Lovell...	.....	.....	1863	45	N. Callender.....	1825	Feb. 6, 1876	75	51	
George W. Harris....	1850	Nov. 5, 1862	38	12	P. A. Ogden.....	1825	Aug. 23, 1876	77	51	
George B. Owens...	1853	.....	1863	54	10	Wm. H. Lawder.....	1833	April 20, 1877	68	44
A. P. Dunlap.....	1854	Feb. 14, 1863	34	9	T. A. G. Phillips.....	1833	Feb. 28, 1877	67	44	
A. M. Lorain.....	1824	April 25, 1863	72	39	Wm. I. Ellsworth...	1834	May 10, 1877	70	43	
W. H. Fyffe.....	1836	May 20, 1863	49	27	Samuel Brown.....	1841	Sept. 23, 1876	70	35	
J. T. Mitchell.....	1832	May 30, 1863	53	31	A. Melharry.....	1841	Nov. 18, 1878	65	37	
L. Swormstedt.....	1818	Aug. 28, 1863	64	45	J. M'D. Mathews...	1831	Aug. 5, 1879	75	48	
C. W. Sears.....	.....	Aug. 29, 1863	44	.....	John C. Deem.....	1854	Jan. 21, 1879	77	25	
Henry Baker.....	1814	Dec. 24, 1863	66	49	Elijah H. Field.....	1824	Oct. 1, 1878	82	54	
E. D. Roe.....	1832	.....	1864	63	Jos. A. Reeder.....	1829	Nov. 24, 1878	81	49	

\* No Memoirs in the published Minutes. † Previously in the ministry of the Lutheran Church.

† These and some others were many years useful local preachers. The only years in which no death occurred were 1868 and 1878. It is greatly to be regretted that some of the published Memoirs are so incomplete as not to furnish even the information necessary to fill the blanks in the above columns. The Minutes from 1854 to 1858 contain no Memoirs.

D. J. STARR.

## GENERAL CONFERENCE DELEGATES.

1856—W. Young, J. B. Finley, W. Nast, J. W. Fowble, G. W. Walker, A. Brown, C. Brooks, A. Lowrey, M. Dustin. Reserves—J. T. Mitchell, Dr. Elliott, W. Ahrens.

1860—W. Nast, W. Young, J. T. Mitchell, M. Smith, M. Marlay, G. Moody, D. Reed. Reserves—W. Ahrens, M. Dustin, G. C. Crum.

1864—W. Nast, W. Young, M. Smith, G. Moody, M. Dustin. Reserves—W. H. Lawder, J. W. Fowble, J. A. Klein.

1868—A. Lowrey, J. Kendall, J. M. Walden, Wm. Young, J. Armstrong. Reserves—M. Dustin, J. F. Chalfant.

1872—J. W. Weakley, J. M. Walden, J. F. Marlay, R. S. Rust, J. F. Chalfant. Reserves—G. C. Crum, A. Lowrey.

1876—J. M. Walden, A. Lowrey, J. F. Marlay, G. Moody. Reserves—W. H. Sutherland, R. S. Rust.

1880—J. M. Walden, W. L. Hypes, C. H. Payne, W. I. Fee. Reserves—S. A. Brewster, R. S. Rust.



## BISHOPS OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

BORN.	NAMES.	ENTERED MINISTRY.		Ord'd Bish'g.	REMARKS.
		Conference.	Year		
Sept. 9, 1747	Thomas Coke.....	British Wes.	1778	1784	Died at sea, May 3, 1814, aged 67.
Aug. 20, 1745	Francis Asbury.....	British Wes.	1766	1784	Died in Va., March 31, 1816, aged 71.
Feb. 23, 1736	Richard Whatcoat.....	British Wes.	1769	1800	Died in Del., July 5, 1806, aged 71.
July 5, 1757	William M'Kendree...	Meth. E. Ch.	1788	1808	Died in Tenn., March 5, 1835, aged 78.
..... 1768	Enoch George.....	Meth. E. Ch.	1790	1816	Died in Va., August 23, 1828, aged 60.
Aug. 2, 1778	Robert R. Roberts.....	Baltimore....	1802	1816	Died in Ind., March 28, 1843, aged 65.
Aug. 1, 1781	Joshna Soule.....	New York....	1799	1824	Ent. M.E.Ch. South, '46, died Mar. 6, '67.
Jan. 7, 1780	Elijah Hedding.....	N. England..	1801	1824	Died in Po'keepsie, Apr. 9, 1852, aged 72.
..... 1794	James Osgood Andrew.	S. Carolina...	1813	1832	Bish. M. E. Ch. So., '46, died Mar. 1, '71.
Apr. 11, 1789	John Emory.....	Phila.....	1810	1832	Died in Md., Dec. 16, 1835, aged 47. ✓
Oct. 25, 1789	Beverly Waugh.....	Baltimore....	1809	1836	Died in Md., Feb. 9, 1858, aged 69.
Apr. 28, 1790	Thomas A. Morris.....	Ohio.....	1816	1836	Died in Springfield, Ohio, Sept. 2, 1874.
May 10, 1797	Leonidas L. Hamline..	Ohio.....	1833	1844	Resig'd 1852; died in Iowa, Mar. 22, '65.
Apr. 27, 1807	Edmund Storer Janes..	Phila.....	1830	1844	Died in N. Y. City, Sept. 18, '76, aged 69.
Oct. 11, 1802	LEVI SCOTT.....	Phila.....	1826	1852	Residence, Odessa, Del.
June 21, 1810	MATTHEW SIMPSON.....	Pittsburg....	1833	1852	Residence, Philadelphia.
July 30, 1813	Osmon C. Baker.....	N. Hamp.....	1839	1852	Died in Conc'd, N. H., Dec. 20, '71, ag. 59.
Mar. 20, 1806	Edward R. Ames.....	Illinois.....	1830	1852	Died in Baltimore, April 25, 1879.
Dec. 5, 1809	Francis Burns*.....	Liberia.....	1838	1858	Died in Baltimore, Md., April 18, 1863.
Feb. 25, 1812	Davis Wasgatt Clark..	New York....	1843	1864	Died in Cincinnati, May 23, 1871.
October, 1810	Edward Thomson.....	Ohio.....	1833	1864	Died in Wheeling, W. Va., Mar. 22, '70.
Sept. 8, 1812	Calvin Kingsley.....	Erie.....	1841	1864	Died in Beyroot, Syria, April 6, 1870.
.....	John W. Roberts*.....	Liberia.....	1838	1866	Died in Africa, Jan. 30, 1875.
July 15, 1817	THOMAS BOWMAN.....	Baltimore....	1839	1872	Residence, St. Louis.
Nov. 4, 1817	WILLIAM L. HARRIS....	Michigan.....	1837	1872	Residence, Evanston, Ill.
Feb. 22, 1820	RANDOLPH S. FOSTER...	Ohio.....	1837	1872	Residence, Boston.
Mar. 29, 1825	ISAAC W. WILEY.....	Phila.....	1851	1872	Residence, Cincinnati.
Sept. 16, 1825	STEPHEN M. MERRILL..	Ohio.....	1846	1872	Residence, Chicago.
Aug. 7, 1825	EDWARD G. ANDREWS..	Oneida.....	1848	1872	Residence, Des Moines.
Sept. 21, 1821	GILBERT HAVEN.....	N. England..	1851	1872	Residence, Atlanta, Ga.
April 4, 1811	JESSE T. PECK.....	Oneida.....	1832	1872	Residence, Syracuse, N. Y.

\* Missionary Bishops, their episcopal jurisdiction being restricted to the Liberia Conference.

## TO THE MEMBERS OF THE CINCINNATI CONFERENCE.

DEAR BRETHREN:

The Minutes this year omit the Historic Roll of Conference to make room for proceedings of the Lay Electoral Conference. All reports should be carefully written with ink, on one side the paper only, and furnished to the Secretary ready for publication when adopted. Memoirs of *ministers* must be furnished in duplicate. These directions have been better observed this year than before, and in consequence our Minutes are out earlier.

*The circulation of the Minutes deserves still more care.* Our people need the information they contain, of what the Church is doing in her organized methods of work. We print this year 2,400 copies—300 less than last year.

The Conference is indebted to those brethren who have generously taken large numbers of the Minutes, and to advertisers for the low price at which they are furnished. If more are sent than ordered, use them if you can.

The advertisements are designed to benefit the reader. Many of them relate to Church interests. We seek such especially, and use none unworthy of confidence. Can you not obtain some advertisements for next year's Minutes?

Each presiding elder should bring to Conference next year a written alphabetical list of the local preachers in his district, indicating the orders and post-office address of each, and hand it to the Secretary. The list this year is nearly perfect, owing to the care of presiding elders.

The Statistical and Stewards' reports are printed as furnished. We can neither supply nor change figures and footings.

The Committee on Pastoral Address have not furnished a report.

THE PUBLISHING COMMITTEE.

# PROCEEDINGS

## OF THE

### LAY ELECTORAL CONFERENCE.

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THE CINCINNATI LAY ELECTORAL CONFERENCE of the Methodist Episcopal Church assembled in the First Church, Urbana, Ohio, Friday morning, September 5, 1879, and was called to order, at ten o'clock, by Colonel W. R. Warnock. Colonel W. P. Wiltsee was elected temporary Chairman.

The Conference joined in singing, "Blest be the tie that binds," and Judge H. Elliott led in prayer. "Come, thou Fount of every blessing," was sung, following which F. M. M'Adams, B. Starr, and William Pease were made Secretaries *pro tem*.

The charges were called by districts, and one hundred and one delegates\* were found to be present.

Committees were appointed, consisting of one member from each district, as follows:

PERMANENT ORGANIZATION.—East Cincinnati, James H. Laws; West Cincinnati, H. S. Bidler; Dayton, H. Elliott; Springfield, E. W. Mulliken; Ripley, L. J. Fenton; Hillsboro, A. H. Haines.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.—East Cincinnati, Aaron A. Colter; West Cincinnati, H. B. Patterson; Dayton, C. W. Bennett; Springfield, Levi Geiger; Ripley, James M'Mann; Hillsboro, W. M. Meek.

CREDENTIALS.—B. Starr, *Chairman*; East Cincinnati, Dr. W. W. Highlands; West Cincinnati, G. G. Palmer; Dayton, T. C. Bond; Springfield, D. W. Rawlings; Ripley, William Pease; Hillsboro, Robert Story.

Awaiting the reports of the several committees, a recess was taken to 11.15 o'clock.

Following the recess the Conference joined in singing, "All hail the power of Jesus' name," and Dr. Eversole led in prayer.

After singing "Rock of Ages," brother Perkins led in prayer.

"Jesus, lover of my soul," was sung.

The Committee on Credentials reported through their Secretary, Dr. Highlands, recommending "that all persons present with proper credentials be recognized as delegates to this Conference, and that those who have no certificates of election be recommended to the action of the Conference."

On motion the Conference ordered that we recognize all whose names are on the roll, and who answered to the call as members.

Eighty-two were found to be present with certificates, and fifteen without certificates.

\* The names of delegates have not been furnished for publication.

The Committee on Permanent Organization reported, and the permanent officers were elected, as follows :

*President.*—Judge Henderson Elliott.

*Vice-Presidents.*—James H. Laws, G. B. Johnson, E. B. Thirkield, R. D. Williams, Ed. Easton, J. W. Menaugh.

*Secretary.*—Prof. B. Starr.

*Assistant Secretary.*—William Pease.

Judge H. Elliott was escorted to the chair by J. H. Laws and Judge W. M. Meek, and addressed the Conference.

The Committee on Order of Business reported as follows :

1. Report of Committee on Credentials.
2. Report of Committee on Permanent Organization.
3. Election of delegates to General Conference, under the following regulations: All voting shall be by ballot, each member present casting one vote; tellers appointed by the Chair to collect and count the votes, and a majority of the votes cast being necessary to an election. After the third ballot, the candidate having the lowest number shall be dropped.
4. After the election of two delegates, two reserve delegates shall be chosen in the same manner.

Rev. Dr. J. M. Walden and Rev. Dr. J. W. Weakley were introduced to the Conference, bearing the greetings of the Cincinnati Conference and an invitation to the Lay Conference to meet the Cincinnati Conference at any time during the afternoon. The invitation was accepted, and 2½ o'clock, P. M., mentioned as the hour.

On motion the Conference adjourned, to meet at 1 o'clock, P. M.

#### AFTERNOON SESSION.

THE Conference was called to order at 1 o'clock by Vice-President George B. Johnson, the President not having arrived. Two verses of the first selection from the Church Hymnal were sung.

The "Tennesseans," being present, were invited to sing, and the invitation was accepted. They furnished the Conference with some very inspiring music, after which brother M'Math led in prayer.

President Elliott arrived, and took the chair.

The time having arrived to visit the Cincinnati Conference, the members marched in procession to the seat of the Conference, and were introduced to the Conference by Bishop Simpson.

Bishop Simpson, Judge Elliott, Dr. Walden, Dr. Weakley, Judge Meek, Colonel Warnock, Dr. Moody, Dr. Hypes, Dr. Miley, and others, delivered appropriate and stirring addresses. The meeting was closed with prayer by Dr. Lowrey, after which the members returned to First Church, and resumed business at 3½ o'clock.

The following persons were nominated as delegates to General Conference, two to be elected: Edward Sargent, of Cincinnati; Judge W. M. Meek, of Hillsboro; D. C. S. Parker, of Piqua; Judge J. Chambers, of

Eaton; Judge H. Elliott, of Dayton; B. W. Gehman, of Springfield, Edward Mulliken, of Springfield; John Cochnower, Dr. W. B. Davis, and W. M. Doughty, of Cincinnati.

Nominations were declared closed.

The Chair appointed brother Adams and Dr. Jones as Tellers, and the vote was taken. The first ballot resulted as follows:

Edward Sargent.....	69	B. W. Gehman.....	5
W. M. Meek.....	17	Edward Mulliken.....	20
Dr. C. S. Parker.....	8	John Cochnower.....	10
Jacob Chambers.....	9	Dr. W. B. Davis.....	4
Henderson Elliott.....	56	Judge West.....	1

Edward Sargent and Judge H. Elliott were declared elected.

On motion the rules were suspended, and E. W. Mulliken and W. M. Meek were, *viva voce*, elected reserve delegates.

Brother J. H. Laws called the attention of the Conference to the expenses of the Church, and presented the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That it is the sense of this Conference that the six districts of the Cincinnati Conference should be reduced to three."

Spirited remarks were made by a number of the delegates, and the resolution was lost.

Brother J. H. Laws also moved that we recommend to the General Conference that it so change the day and date of the meeting of the Lay Conference that it do not come in connection with the session of the Annual Conference." Lost.

On motion it was

*Resolved*, That the best interests of the Church require that our pastors take the Conference collections at such times as to avoid crowding them into the last quarter of the year."

A letter was read from brother Matson, of Milford, Ohio, and was referred to our delegates to the next General Conference.

The thanks of the Conference were tendered to the citizens of Urbana for their kind hospitality to the members of the Conference; also to the President and Secretary for services rendered. After singing "Praise God, from whom all blessings flow," the Conference adjourned *sine die*, with the benediction.

B. STARR, *Secretary*.

HENDERSON ELLIOTT, *President*.

### TO OUR LAY MEMBERS.

WE appeal to our lay members to assist their pastors in the circulation of our Minutes. These contain valuable information, which our people need. A copy should go into every Methodist family. We have probably fifteen thousand families and parts of families within the Conference. We now print only one copy for every fifteen members. If we should print ten thousand copies, the cost per copy would be reduced one-half. Speak of the matter of our Minutes in your prayer-meetings. How many lay people would favor the publication of the Detailed Report of Missionary Contributions, as was formerly done?

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